WEATHER.
Cloudy Wednesday and Thursay, probably rain; coler Thursday.

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SINKING OF THE STEAMER LACONIA IS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED TO BE THE LONG EXPECTED OVERT ACT

PRESIDENT WAITS UPON CONGRESS BEFORE GIVING AMERICAN ANSWER TO GERMAN U-BOAT RUTHLESSNESS

Cabinet Decides No Step Will be Taken Until Additional Authority is Granted

BILL REPORTED IN SENATE

LaFollette Objects to Referring It Back to Committee, Causing Further Delay

COMES UP AGAIN TOMORROW

Slow Progress is Also Made on Measure Before House

Washington, Feb. 27.—The administration waits upon Congress to give the answer of the United States to the German campaign of ruthlessness which has reached a climax in the sinking of the liner Laconia and the killing of two American women.

Official accounts of the unwarned night attack on the Cunarder, regarded as the first clear-cut case of violation of American rights since the severance of relations with Germany, were laid before President Wilson and the cabinet today by Secretary Lansing. It was decided that no step would be taken until Congress had time to grant the request for additional authority to protect the lives and rights of Americans.

Little Progress Made.

In Congress little progress was made during the day towards enacting the legislation for which the President asked in his address yesterday. The Senate foreign relations committee by a divided vote reported out a bill similar to the one introduced in the House, to authorize the President to arm merchantmen and employ 'such other instrumentalities as he may deem necessary." The formality of referring the measure back to the committee was blocked by Senator LaFollette, and as the Senate is working under an agreement to consider nothing except by unanimous consent until the revenue bill has been voted on tomorrow night, further action is delayed until Thursday.

On the House side the foreign affairs committee talked through two sessions over phraseology, those opposing action objecting chiefly to the words "other instrumentalities." The committee finally adjourned until tomorrow without taking a vote.

Leaders Not Disturbed.

The administration leaders are not disturbed over the situation in the House, however, as it is well understood that action under a special rule can be forced whenever it is regarded as necessary. Moreover, while there is some real opposition in the committee and among the pacifist group in the House, both Republican and Democratic leaders intimate that it is deemed wise to delay in putting through a bill until it is clear what the Senate will do, so as to precent confusion.

Even in the Senate the administration spokesmen profess full confidence that a measure satisfactory to the President will be passed later in the week. Although most of the Republicans favor stronger action than has been proposed, it is believed they will vote for the committee bill when the roll call comes.

Filibuster Possible.

Some Senators believe that the only sourse of doubt lies in the attitude of Senator LaFollette, whose course today suggested the possibility of a filibuster. With adjournment only a few days off, one senator might easily talk the bill to death and force an extra session. The Wisconsin senator has not committed himself further than to say that he did not think any action should be taken until the country was given a chance to see the proposed legislation.

After the cabinet meeting it was stated that the President had no present intention of ddressing Congress again; that he felt that the situation rested with Congress. It is a rather generally believed, however, that if delay continues until adjournment is at hand, he will make a further move.

Oppose Giving Broad Power.

The fight in the House committee centered upon the objection of some members to conferring broad authority upon the President, and upon the efforts of others to have it stipulated that ships carrying munitions or contraband should not be furnished arms.

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Bill Introduced in Senate Asking That Power be Given President

Washington, Feb. 27.—The text of the bill drafted by the Senate foreign relations committee to carry out President Wilson's policy of armed neutrality follows:

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled:

"That the commanders and crews of all American merchant vessels of the United States, and bearing the registry of the United States, are hereby authorized to arm and defend such vessels against unlawful attacks, and the President of the United States is hereby authorized and empowered to supply such vessels with defensive arms, fore and aft, and also with the necessary ammunition and means of making use of them; and that he be, and is hereby, authorized and empowered to employ such other instrumentalities and methods as may in his judgment and discretion seem necessary and adequate to protect such vessels and the citizens of the United States in their lawful and peaceful pursuits on the high seas.

"The sum of $100,000,000 is hereby appropriated to be expended by the President of the United States for the purpose of carrying into effect the foregoing provisions, the said sum to be available until the first day of January, nineteen hundred and eighteen.

"For the purpose of meeting the expenditures herein authorized the Secretary of the Treasury, under the direction of the President, is hereby authorized to borrow on the credit of the United States and to issue therefor bonds of the United States not exceeding in the aggregate $100,000,000, said bonds to be in such form and subject to such terms as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe and to bear interest at a rate not exceeding three per cent. per annum: Provided that such bonds shall be sold at not less than par, shall not carry the circulation privileges, and that all citizens of the United States shall be given an equal opportunity to subscribe therefor but no commission shall be allowed or paid thereon; that both principal and interest shall be payable in United States gold coin of the present standard of value and be exempt from all taxation and duties of the United States as well as from taxation in any good form of all state, municipal or local authorities; that any bonds issued hereunder may, unsuch such conditions as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe, be convertible into bonds bearing a higher rate of interest than 3 per cent per annum if any bonds shall be issued by the United States at a higher rate than three per centum per annum by virtue of any act passed on or before December thirty-first, nineteen hundred and eighteen.

"In order to pay the necessary expenses connected with the said issue of bonds, or any conversions thereof a sum not exceeding one-fifth of one per centum of the amount of the bonds herein authorized to be issued, or which may be converted, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be expended as the Secretary of the Treasury may direct.

"The President is authorized to transfer so much of the amount herein appropriated as he may deem necessary not exceeding $25,000,000 to the bureau of war risk insurance, created by act of Congress, approved September second, nineteen hundred and fourteen, for the purpose of insuring vessels, their freight, passage moneys and cargoes, against loss or damage by the present risks of war."

ARRANGEMENTS ARE MADE FOR BREAK WITH AUSTRIA

On Instructions From State Department, Ambassador Penfield Has Completed Plans for Withdrawal of Americans in Event of Rupture, Now Regarded as Inevitable.

Washington, Feb. 27.—Arrangements for the withdrawal of American diplomats and consular officers from Austria-Hungary have been made by Ambassador Penfield on instructions from the State Department. The ambassador has been directed to take this step, the belief at the department being that a break is inevitable. The Spanish government has been asked to take over American interests, and plans have been made to expedite the withdrawal of Americans if the break occurs.

The last report from Ambassador Penfield, a brief cable received after now Tarnowski, the new Austrian aminstructions were sent, suggested a policy that Austria's reply to this government's aide memoire, asking definition of her attitude in the submarine situation, might be favorable. No real hope was raised here.

Pending a reply to the aide memoire, the Austrian situation will remain in the same indefinite state which has characterized it since the rupture with Germany, when a note similar, though not identical, to Germany's submarine proclamation, was received from Ambassador Penfield.

The State Department notified the Austrian embassy here that Count Tar-

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CONTINUOUS SESSION OF SENATE PROBABLE

Virtually No Progress at All Was Made Yesterday

Some Senators Think Such Needed Legislation That Cannot Be Passed Will Force President to Call Extra Session.

Washington, Feb. 27.—General legislation in the Senate made practically no progress today and the prospect that some of the big supply measures will fail to pass before March 4, when the present Congress dies by limitation, was greater by 24 hours. For most of the six hours of the session the Senate talked about the revenue bill, on which it already has agreed to vote tomorrow night.

The only other important bill that got even a glance from the senators was the $535,000,000 naval appropriation bill, which was taken up for a brief time but to which Senator LaFollette again showed his opposition. The army appropriation bill still rested in the military affairs committee tonight and the sundry civil deficiency

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GERARD WARNED NOT TO SAIL FROM SPAIN

Warning Given by Personal German Friend in Berlin

Those Close to Former Envoy Have Feeling of Anxiety For Americans Taking Passage on Steamer Infanta Isabel

Corunna, Spain, Feb. 27 (via Paris).—It became known today that former Ambassador Gerard has been warned personally by a German friend in high official position against sailing from Spain for the United States.

The warning has not become known, except to those men who are in Mr. Gerard's confidence, but among them there is a feeling of anxiety in regard to the Americans sailing today on the Infanta Isabel. Mr. Gerard regards the warning as having been given in seriousness.

OFFICIALS ARE SURPRISED BY REPORTS OF WARNING

Washington, Feb. 27.—Reports that former Ambassador Gerard had been advised in an informal way by a high

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STATE BOND ISSUE OF $3,000,000 IS PROPOSED IN BILL

To Provide for Permanent Improvements for State Schools and Other Institutions

MACHINERY BILL IS PASSED

House Votes Down New Fish Bill and Thereby Stands by Present State Commission

(BY W. J. MARTIN.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 27.—Senator Holderness, chairman of the committee on appropriations, introduced tonight a bill to provide a three million dollar bond issue to provide for permanent improvements to State institutions, and five hundred thousand dollars of the issue to constitute a permanent loan fund for aiding in the construction of buildings for elementary and high school throughout the State.

The bills by Senator Person to put bridge building in the State under the advisory supervision of the State Highway Commission was tabled after discussion during which Senator Jones declared that he was glad the Legislature was to adjourn next Tuesday, as he did not know what would become of county rights if encroachments continued. There was a mania for concentrating in commissions of estimable gentlemen in Raleigh.

The Senate voted down the Burgwyn amendment to the bill regulating legal advertising in newspapers that would reduce the charge permitted from six and four cents to four and two cents. Then the bill passed by a good majority, Burgwyn explaining his vote against, that he could not vote for this "graft."

Senator Person introduced a bill to abolish corporal punishment in the prisons and it was made a special order for Wednesday.

Senator Turner has completed a tentative report for the committe investigating the State farm stockade conditions and management and it is being passed on by the committee membership. It proposes new quarters and equipment and changes in the prison system.

Bills passed by the Senate include: Authorize county tuberculosis hospitals; Put Wayne officers on free basis; Authorize New Hanover school bonds.

Bills Passed House.

The House tonight passed the bill to provide tax levies by the counties to pay debts, issue bonds for roads and maintenance and improvement of roads in the several counties; Authorize Kinston to issue school bonds; Enable cities and towns to levy school taxes; Define duties of the solicitor of New Hanover county; Amend the law as to planting oysters; Make permanent marriage and family records; Expedite civil trials in Columbus; Salaries for Pitt officers; Authorize suspension of work on Atlantic & Northern Railway five years; Regulate Washington town primaries; Protect deer in Duplin and Onslow.

The Senate considered the Gates bill to form a central purchasing agency for State institutions, composed of the heads of the institutions with a capable clerk, to purchase supplies in bulk. Many questions were asked and the bill passed second reading and went over for investigation.

Senator Turner had his bill for prison

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Liner Frederik VIII Again Puts to Sea

ALL PRECAUTIONS ARE TAKEN TO SEE THAT SHIP BEARING BERNSTORFF PARTY GETS SAFELY AWAY.

Halifax, N. S., Feb. 27.—The steamer Frederik VIII, with Count von Bernstorff, former German ambassador to the United States, and his party on board, sailed at 7:30 o'clock tonight for Copenhagen.

The same precautions which marked the arrival here February 16 of the liner attended her departure. She was not moved from her pier where for the last few days she has been taking on coal and supplies, until after nightfall. As she steamed slowly down the harbor, she was convoyed by a swarm of patrol boats with orders to keep all other craft at a distance, in conformity with the assurances of safe conduct made by the government of Great Britain to the United States.

The Frederik VIII, which is owned by the Scandinavian-American Line, sailed from New York, February 14. In order to avoid the danger of the

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VICTORY IS NOW THE DOMINATING GERMAN NECESSITY

To Produce War Supplies and Food is Sole Task of People at Home, Says Hollweg

IN "STRUGGLE FOR LIFE"

Chancellor Says He Doesn't Understand Why the United States Severed Relations

Berlin, Feb. 27 (via Sayville.)—Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg's address to the Reichstag, postponed from last week, was delivered today. The chancellor said:

"While our soldiers on the front stand in the drumfire of the trenches and our submarines, defying death, hasten through the seas; while we at home have no other—absolutely no other—task but to produce cannon, ammunition and food, and to distribute victuals with justice; in the midst of this struggle for life and for the future of our empire, intensified to the extreme, there is only one necessity of the day which dominates all questions of policy both foreign and domestic—to fight and gain victory."

German Nation in Readiness.

The chancellor pointed out that the German natlon in the Reichstag's last vote granting new war credits, demonstrated to the whole world its readiness to continue the struggle until its enemies were ready for peace.

As to this peace itself, the chancellor recalled discussions in the newspapers, in public meetings and also in parliament. He declared that it would be premature if he participated in these debates. He continued:

"To make promises of formulated and detailed conditions in my position would be unproductive and precarious. Hostile leaders did this repeatedly. They gave extravagant assurances to each other, but they merely brought it about by this that they themselves and their nations were always more deeply involved in the war.

Lasting Peace Germany's Aim.

"Their example does not tempt me. What I could say about the tendency and aim of our conditions I have said repeatedly: To terminate the war by a lasting peace which will grant us reparation for all wrongs suffered and guarantee the existence and future of a strong Germany—that is our aim—nothing less and nothing more.

"Their answer was more rude and more presumptuous than any sensible person in our country or in neutral countries could have imagined. The effect produced by this document of barbarian hatred and of insolence is mani-

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GERMANS PUT BRITISH WARSHIPS TO FLIGHT

Violent Artillery Fight Takes Place in English Channel

Berlin Reports That German Destroyers Steamed Into the Mouth of the Thames on the Night of February 25.

Berlin, Monday, Feb. 26 (via Sayville)—The official German announcement of the raid of German torpedo boat destroyers on the Kentish coast of England on the night of February 25, says that the German warships steamed into the English channel beyond the line from Dover to Calais and into the mouth of the Thames river. It reads:

"On the night of the 25th some of our torpedo boat sea forces, under the command of Captains Corvet, Tillesen, Albrecht and Konrad, advanced into the English channel beyond the line Dover-Calais and into the Thames mouth. British destroyers encountered in the channel were forced to engagement, and, after violent artillery fight, were dispersed. Several of them were damaged by hits and they avoided further fighting by a hasty retreat. Our vessels suffered no losses or damages. Aside from this engagement, nothing was seen of the enemy in these waters.

"Another section of our torpedo flotilla proceeded without encountering any British guard boats until they reached the North Foreland and into the Downs. Military establishments on the coast near North Foreland, the town of Margate and several vessels anchored closed to the land were taken under our fire with good success.

"No merchant traffic was encountered. All our vessels returned undamaged."

LINER SUNK UNDER COVER OF THE NIGHT UNWARNED

Two Torpedoes Were Fired and Ship Went Down in 45 Minutes After First Attack

2 AMERICAN WOMEN LOST

Mrs. Mary Hoy and Daughter, of Chicago, Died From Exposure and Were Buried at Sea

REPORT BY CONSUL FROST

Americans Who Escaped Did so Through Mere Good Fortune

Washington, Feb. 27—The sinking of the Cunarder Laconia by a German submarine was stated officially today to constitute a clear-cut violation of American rights.

Conclusive official information at the State Department shows that two American women lost their lives, that if four other Americans among the passengers and the 14 among the crew were saved, it was only by good fortune, and that the vessel was sunk without warning, in direct defiance of all the principles for which the United States has stood.

Vessel Was Unwarned.

Consul Frost's reports from the survivors landed at Queenstown and Bantry show that the vessel was struck by a first torpedo without warning at 10:30 o'clock Sunday night, 150 miles off Fastnet, when the steamer was traveling at 17 to 18 knots on her voyage from New York to Liverpool.

The engines were stopped as the ship listed to starboard, wireless calls were flashed broadcast, and six large rockets were sent up. Thirteen boats with passengers, the crew got away and scattered over two or three miles to prevent collision in a high sea rolling in 12-foot swells.

About twenty minutes after the first torpedo, the reports add, and while some of the boats were still nearby, a second torpedo was driven into the vessel, which sank three quarters of hour after the original attack. The small boats with survivors pitched about during the long hours of the night until rescue came.

Two American Women Lost.

During this time the two American women, Mrs. Mary Hoy and Miss Elizabeth Hoy, of Chicago, died of exposure and were buried at sea. There were several other deaths, not of Americans.

No further facts are needed by this government, it was stated officially, and no inquiry of any sort is necessary to establish the facts of the case.

Both White House and State Department officials seem to feel that the answer must come from Congress. The President, they point out, asked for authority to take steps to prevent just such an act as the very moment when the first news was coming over the cables.

Naval officers are puzzled by the fact that the Laconia was torpedoed at night. It has been an accepted condition of submarine warfare heretofore that the U-boats were hampered by darkness and that ships in open waters were in little danger at night.

It is believed that the German U-boat happened to be directly in the liner's path, or so close to it that the big vessel was distinguishable even with her lights out.

CONSUL FROST GIVES AN ACCOUNT OF THE SINKING

London, Feb. 27.—Wesley Frost, the American consul at Queenstown, has sent to the American embassy here the following report regarding the sinking of the Laconia:

"The Leconia was torpedoed without warning at 10:30 p. m. in a heavy sea while the ship was making 17 knots. The first torpedo struck on the starboard abaft the engine room. The engines stopped and the ship turned, listing to starboard. Most of the boats were launched from the starboard side.

"Twenty minutes late, after most of the boats were clear, a second torpedo was fired, striking the engines on the port side. The ship sank 45 minutes after the firing of the first torpedo.

"The ship was armed with two 4.7 inch guns. The ship's wireless was kept in continual action until the last minute. Six rockets also were sent up and all the lifeboats were equipped with an ample supply of flares. The

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PROHIBITION AGAIN BEFORE THE HOUSE

Furore is Stirred Up, Giving Promise of Stubborn Fight Remainder of Session

"ANTIS" ARE LINING UP

Reed Amendment Abandoned Because of Deadlock in Conference—"Dry" Advocates Are Still Confident.

Washington, Feb. 27.—Prohibition came to the front in the House again today, stirrinfi up a furore that promises to enliven the remaining days of the session with a stubborn fight.

While prohibition advocates were lining up to pass tomorrow the Senate bill making the National capital dry, it developed that the postoffice appropriation bill, including the Reed "bone dry" amendment, had been abandoned because of a hopeless deadlock in conference.

Tonight a resolution to reduce the appropriation bill by continuing existing postal appropriation, and embodying also the Reed amendment, was introduced in the House by the conferees, making it necessary for another vote in both houses.

Against both the District of Columbia bill and the Reed amendment, which would prevent shipment of liquor into any prohibition state, the anti-prohibition forces are organizing a desperate resistance. Their strength could not be determined tonight. The prohibition men insist there is no real danger that either measure will fail.

Democrats opposed to the District of Columbia measure announced tonight that if the bill is passed, they will line up thirty or more Democratic votes against the administration revenue bill when it comes back to the House in the form of a conference report, and some of them even threatened to bolt the Democratic organization of the next House.

The fight over District prohibition will occupy several hours. A special rule was reported today under which, in addition to two hours of general debate and votign on an amendment for a referendum of District citizens, it would be possible to have approximately a

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INVESTIGATING WRECK WHICH COST 20 LIVES

Freight Crashed Into Pennsylvania Passenger Train

Mistaken Signals, Airbrake Trouble and Heavy Fog Given As Contributing Factors in Fatal Accident.

Harrisburg, Pa., Feb. 27.—Mistaken signals, trouble with the airbrakes and a heavy fog were today given as contributing factors in the wreck on the Pennsylvania railroad at Mount Union early today, where twenty persons were killed, when a heavy fast freight train crashed into the rear end of the eastbound Mercantile Express.

Investigation of the accident was begun here by railroad officials and the hearing will be continued at Altoona, 43 miles from Mount Union. The passenger train had stopped to discharge passengers when the freight engine, with a heavy string of cars behind it, suddenly struck it. The impact split the rear sleeping car almost in two and telescoped the three cars ahead of it.

Members of the passenger train crew were heard today, the principal testimony being that of S. K. Jacobs, the flagman.

"When the train stopped at Mount Union," said Jacobs, "I got off at the rear with my lantern. Receiving a signal to go ahead, I stepped back on the platform and closed the vestibule. Then I noticed there was trouble in starting the train. I climbed over the gate on the rear car and started back with my lantern. I walked fast and had gone twenty or thirty car lengths when I saw the headlight of

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EVIDENCE LACKING FOR INDICTMENTS

Only Two or Three Violations of Federal Law Found in Probe of High Prices

GREGORY INFORMS BORAH

Letter to Idaho Senator Expresses Opposition to Further Federal Authority Over Stock Yards and Produce Exchanges.

Washington, Feb. 27.—Attorney-General Gregory today advised Senator Borah that no evidence had been found up to this time ,except in two or three cases, to warrant the Federal government to seek indictments in its investigation of the riding cost of living.

The sale of foodstuffs by retailers to consumers in various cities, the Attorney-General stated, generally falls outside the jurisdiction of the Federal government, and increases brought about by "a selfish impulse of traders to take advantage of the extraordinary condition of the times are not punishable under any Federal law, no matter how lacking in economic justification, nor how extortionate."

Mr. Gregory presented his views in a long letter to the Idaho senator, who is the author of a pending bill to appropriate $6,000,000 for relief of sufferers from the high cost of living.

One of his suggestions was whether the produce exchanges and stock yards of the country should be placed under much closer governmental scrutiny and regulation than now prevails.

"Without stopping now to inquire," the letter said, "how far the Federal government could directly regulate such exchanges, it could doubtless accomplish the same objects by prescribing the conditions under which they should be permitted to use the mails, the telegraph and others instrumentalities of interstate communicaion in carrying on their business.

Associations existing in almost every branch of trade, the Attorney-General continued, while performing some very useful functions, "also in many instances make their influence felt in maintaining prices in such a subtle and intangible way that it is impossible to convict them of violating the law."

The leniency of Federal judges in imposing sentence upon those convicted of violating the anti-trust law, in some instances were cited, Mr. Gregory declaring that "a number of Federal judges always have been and are still apparently reluctant to enforce the Sherman act."

Largely because of the short time remaining of the present session of Congress, it was said, no legislation embodying the department's views had been prepared or was contemplated at present.

CHARGES THE SPECULATORS WITH MAKING FALSE REPORTS

New York, Feb. 27.—After he had been informed by food commissioners in 28 states today that there were large quantities of potatoes and onions for sale at reasonable prices in all of the states except one, Commissioner of Weights and Measures Hartigan declared reports of a shortage here of supply and acreage were "sent out by speculators who are seeking inordinate prices."

Prices charged for potatoes and onions in this city last week, the commissioner asserted, were from 25 to 35 per cent higher than justified.

Three of the states replying to his inquiries today, he said, offered to send 1,000 carloads of potatoes. Only one of the 28 states, he added, was importing potatoes and onions, whereas another reported it had 10,000,000 bushels of seed stock and about 10 per cent of 14,000,000 bushels of general crop in warehouses.

There are sufficient potatoes and onions on hand now to last until the next crops are gathered, the commissioner said he had been informed.

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bassador, who landed at New York the day the German proclamation was received, could not present his credentials to President Wilson until the issue between the two countries was cleared up.

The feeling prevails here that while both this country and Austria are seeking to avoid a break, Germany is determined that her ally shall support the submarine campaign.

The withdrawal of the American diplomatic and consular corps from Austria will not present as difficult a problem as in the case of Germany. Official reports indicate that there are less than fifty native Americans who would return to the United States in case of a break.

OUCH! BACKACHE! RUB LUMBAGO OR STIFFNESS AWAY

Rub Pain from Back with Small Trial Bottle of Old, Penetrating "St. Jacob's Oil"

When your back is sore and lame or lumbago, sciatica or rheumatism has you stiffened up, don't suffer! Get a small trial bottle of old, honest "St. Jacob's Oil" at any drug store, pour a little in your hand and rub it right on your aching back, and by the time you count fifty, the soreness and lameness is gone.

Don't stay crippled! This soothing penetrating oil needs to be used only once. It takes the pain right out and ends the misery. It is magical, yet absolutely harmless and doesn't burn the skin.

Nothing else stops lumbago, sciatica, backache or rheumatism so promptly. It never disappoints!

STATE BOND ISSUE OF $3,000,000 IS PROPOSED IN BILL

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reform set as special order for Wednesday. It would classify prisoners and hold out a system of rewards for good behavior.

HOUSE VOTES AGAINST NEW STATE FISH COMMISSION

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 27.—The House wrestled with the fieneral fish bill this afternoon and finally voted down by just one vote the committee substitute for the bill by Grant, of Onslow, to abolish the present fish commission and create a new commission of eastern men familiar with the fish interests and change the system of taxation materially. The vote was 48 to 49.

When Speaker Murphy laid the bill before the House he termed it "The Sardine bill."

Grant, of Onslow, argued for the bill as giving the poor man a chance.

Representative Winborne spoke against the bill and in support of the president State Fish Commission and its policies. He regretted the tendency of the coastal fishermen to disregard the rights of the inland fisheries by setting their nets so the influx of fish for the inland streams is cut off. The people of the West must help the fishermen of the East to save themselves from their own folly. The fish are the best asset of the whole State, he insisted. He read a letter from Secretary of Labor Wilson to the effect that North Carolina is setting a pace for other coastal states in the conservation of the fish interests. The proposed bill would undo all this conservation progress and it would stand aside the Craig State Fish Commission in disgrace. Also, it would put a few eastern fishermen in control of the fishing interests.

Representative Griffin, of Chowan, favored the bill.

Representative Davis, of Dare, a young representative, who has had little to say heretofore, opened up for the present commission and against the pending bill. His people favored the Craig commission and its administration.

Grant, of Onslow, he said, paid only $2 fish tax and was the biggest fisherman in Onslow, and the county only paid about $100 compared with $4,000 fish taxes paid by his county.

New Hanover Man Speaks

Representative Grant, of New Hanover, spoke in favor of utmost conservation of fishing industry, but did not think a commission should be composed of men who know nothing of the fishing industry.

Representative Stubbs appealed to the House to stand by the present administration of the fisheries industry and Representative Page expressed the view that there is a marked falling off in the force and scope of the fish fight this session compared with other sessions of the Legislature. This he thought to be due to the effectiveness of the present commission, who should be supported in its efforts. The vote followed. There is to be effort to reconsider the vote.

Machinery Bill Passed.

The machinery bill was laid before the House and it was explained by Representative Doughton, chairman of the Finance committee, as having remarkably few changes from the 1915 law. The chief change is a clause that authorizes a re-assessment of property in those Western Carolina counties where floods did great damage last summer. Those re-assessments must only be on account of flood damage and must have the sanction of the State Tax Commission.

Representative Grant, of New Hanover, made an unsuccessful effort to amend the bill to exempt certain church property used exclusively for religious purposes. The bill passed with scarcely a dissenting vote and was ordered sent to the Senate.

The House took up the revenue bill for concurrence in the Senate amendments, but there was a motion by Representative Doughton that the House do not concur. This was voted unanimously and then there was the appointment of a conference committee, the committee on the part of the House being Doughton, Brummitt and Love.

New Bills in House.

New bills introduced:

Ward, of Duplin—Prohibit the sale of liquor within certain boundaries about church.

Scott, of Pender, and Ward, of Duplin—Prevent fishing in Rock creek in Duplin and Pender counties.

Ward, of Duplin—Amend the law so as to restore the former practice of trial by jury after compulsory reference; Provide for the collection and preservation of family records; Provide for the transfer of the old marriage bonds and records from the clerks of superior courts to the office of registers of deeds, and provide an abstract of such bonds.

Ray, of Chatham, and Hoyle—Prevent the use of nets in certain streams in Chatham and Lee counties.

Ray, of Chatham—Provide for the appointment of emergency judges.

Scott—Five instead of three members on the Pender board of education.

Covington—Protect churches and schools in Hoke county.

Breece—Relative to the use of paints with turpentine anr lead.

Hoyle—Amend the 1913 act dividing the State into two circuits.

Clark, of Pitt—Regulate the use of free labor on the roads.

McRackan—Expedite trials in the Columbus courts.

Grant, of Onslow, Grant, of New Hanover, Ward of Duplin, and Dees—Protect foxes in certain counties.

Representative Stubbs procured a rereference of the Pollock bill from the Senate putting marriage relations as to the races on the same basis as the school laws by preventing marriages of white persons with one having the smallest taint of black blood.

New Bills in Senate

New bills in the Senate:

Pollock—Provide for the transfer of old records; Restore former practice of trial by jury in certain cases; Provide for the preservation of family records.

Scales—Provide for an art commission.

Scales—Amend the act establishing the Guilford graded schools.

Gough—Control the distribution of funds to the Cherokee Normal School, Robeson county.

Cranmer—Appoint two members of the New Hanover board of education.

Oates—Appoint standard keepers in Cumberland county.

Cranmer—Amend the law as to service by process.

More Help for Treasurer

The Senate passed the bill to authorize the Governor and Council of State to provide additional clerical help for the State Treasury.

The Senate took up the Murphy boiler inspection bill, which had passed the House, providing for one inspector to work under the direction of the State Commission of Labor, and has been amended by the Senate committee to provide for six inspectors.

Senator Linn, of Rowan, advocated and explained the bill.

Senator Gough thought there was a joker somewhere and suspected it was making a lot of new and needless jobs for somebody. There was a roll call vote and the bill was killed on second reading 16 to 29.

Suffrage Bill Killed.

The Senate took up the bill by Senator Jones, of Buncombe, to extend suffrage to women in the vote for presidential electors.

Senator Jones opened the discussion and attributed the election of President Wilson to the votes of women in he Western states. He insisted that the Democratic party is pledged to suffrage through action of separate states.

Senator Person told the senators that it is the uplift element that want to vote, tme women who have lost their charms and no longer attract men.

Senator Oates amended the bill to provids that women who are qualified through age and residence and other requirements, other than payment of poll tax, vote on whether or not they want the ballot at the next election.

Pollock, of Lenoir, spoke against the bill and wanted everything voted down that would drag "even the hem of the garment of womanhood into the mud of politics." Equal suffrage would bring division between husband and wife and houses divided against themselves must fall.

The Oates amendment was adopted and then the amended bill was killed by a vote of 20 to 24.

HEWETT BILL PASSES HOUSE: NO CHANCE IN THE SENATE

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 27.—Hewett's bill for vote on the removal of the Brunswick court house and a $60,000 bond issue for a new court house, came up in the House today and Hewett addressed the Speaker saying he supposed "this is another bill that ought to be killed."

Speaker Murphy replied: "The gentleman addressing the chair is the author of the measure and he should know."

The House passed it on second reading for Hewett, but it is understood to have no chance in the Senate.

LINER SUNK UNDER COVER OF THE NIGHT UNWARNED

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cargo consisted of cotton and foodstuffs.

"The submarine was not seen from the Laconia, but after the second torpedo had been fired and the boats launched a submarine appeared on the surface, came alongside the boat containing the second officer and asked for the captain.

"The submarine commander told the people in the second officer's boat that a British admiralty patrol had caught the Laconia's wireless and was coming to the scene. The submarine made no offer of aid and submerged immediately after.

"Thirteen boats were launched from the Laconia. The Hoys (Mrs. Mary E. Hoy and Miss Elizabeth Hoy, of Chicago) were in No. 8, which was swamped, its life-belted passengers being picked up by other boats, but who suffered severely as the result of exposure in the cold water.

"The boats after leaving the Laconia had to scatter rather widely in order to avoid the danger of collision in the 12-foot swells which were running. Flares were kept alight by most of the boats during the five hours of anxious waiting for the patrol to arrive. The patrol began picking up the boats at 4 o'clock in the morning, but had not finished until after daybreak."

Consul Frost further reported that an American negro, Thomas Cassey, a member of the Laconia's crew, was among the lost. He was the only American member of the crew that perished.

Most of the deaths occurred in one of the lifeboats which became separated from the others and was brought to shore at Bantry. Of twenty-two persons in this boat, eight died of exposure and were buried at sea. Austin H. Foy resides here as representative of an American firm.

Mrs. and Miss Hoy went home to the United States sometime ago to settle some family business affairs and Austin Hoy repeatedly cabled them not to return until the present crasis was over, but they evidently decided to risk the trip.

Dr. Albert H. Hoy, the father, an aged man, is prostrate with grief.

AMERICAN WOMAN THE LAST PASSENGER TO LEAVE SHIP

Queenstown, Feb. 27.—There was an unusual scene in the docks here when the steamer with the survivors of the Cunard liner Laconia arrived. A huge crowd of civilians, soldiers, sailors and nurses greeted them with cheering and singing.

The first passenger to land was an American woman, Mrs. F. E. Harris, who was accorded this honor by the captain's order because of her heroism in supervising the departure of the women and children from the sinking ship. She was the last passenger to leave the Laconia, standing by the side of the captain and going the rounds with him, carefully checking off the women and children passengers to see that they were all in their places and provided with clothing, blankets and tarpaulins.

After Mrs. Harris came other women and children, all clinging still to their life belts, and then the men passengers.

Automobiles carried the survivors to the Queen Hotel where nurses provided dry clothing and warm baths. In a half hour the men, women and children who had come off the rescue sloop in a varied state of disarray were ready for a really sumptuous meal of broth, salmon, turkey and champagne which had been prepared.

NAMES OF SIX PERSONS SUPPOSED TO HAVE PERISHED

London ,Feb. 27.—The Cunard Company gives the following names of the Laconia's passengers missing and supposed to have been lost:

Mrs. Mary Hoy, Miss Elizabeth Hoy, C. P. Ivatt, William I. Robinson, Dr. Fortunat Zyndel, William Eva.

Four members of the crew are also given as missing.

WHITTED STILL REFUSES TO SIGN WITH PHILLIES.

Durham, N. C., Feb. 27.—After receiving a letter from President Baker, of the Philadelphia National League club, refusing an increase of salary, George Whitted, outfielder, said that so far as he is concerned the negotiations between himself and the club were at an end. Whitted said he had asked for an increase of salary from $4,000 to $5,500 a season.

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War News Summary

On the fighting fronts the maneuvers that are being carried out by the British in the Ancre region still hold the greatest attention. Here both north and south of the stream they have made fresh advances, capturing the village of Ligny, southwest of Bapaume, and occupied further positions west and north of Puisieux. To the north around Lens and Amentieres German trenches have been raided by the British, according to the London war office, and considerable damage inflicted on them. On that part of the line where the French are opposing the Germans, the fighting has been done mainly by the artillery of both sides.

There is still little activity on any of the other fronts, except artillery duels and attacks by raiding parties.

The reports of the last 24 hours show four vessels of an aggregate tonnage of 8,520 as having been sunk. The German admiralty announces the sinking of the British transport steamer A-19.

LINER FREDERICK VIII AGAIN PUTS TO SEA

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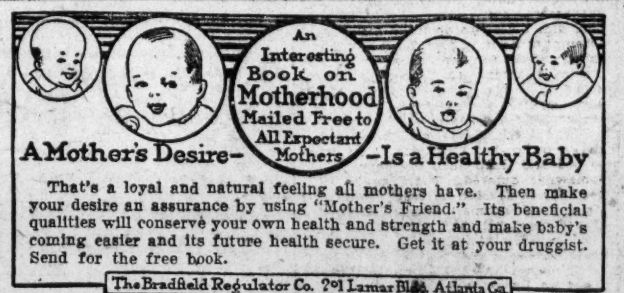
submarine and mine fields in English waters, it was decided by the English admiralty to have her put into this port for the customary search of passengers and cargo.

In order to prevent the German officials aboard from gaining knowledge of the harbor defenses, the steamer was not permitted to enter port until dark. Her anchorage was chosen in a part of the harbor where view of the city and the rest of the harbor, through which the Dominion of Canada forwards troops and vast quantities of war supplies, was cut off. All communication with shore was rigidly supervised.

When it was found desirable to move the liner to a pier Count von Bernstorff and his party were requested to remain below decks where their view was confined to a glimpse through port holes to the blank walls of a warehouse.



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Constipation, or inaction of the bowels, a condition that nearly everyone experiences with more or less frequency, is the direct cause of much disease. When the bowels become clogged with refuse from the stomach, foul gases and poisons are generated, and unless the congestion is quickly relieved the system becomes weakened and most susceptible to attack.

Various remedies to relieve constipation are prescribed but many of these contain cathartic or purgative agents that are harsh and violent in their action and shock the system. The most effective remedy is the combination of simple laxative herbs with pepsin that is sold in drug stores under the name of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin.

The Hon. John D. Keister, of Brandywine, W. Va., who has represented his district in the State Legislature for six years, writes that he uses Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin and finds it a splendid laxative, easy to take and mild, yet positive, in its action, and that it should be in every household for use when needed.

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is sold by druggists in all parts of the United States and costs only fifty cents a bottle. It contains no opiate or narcotic drug, does not gripe, and is recommended as a family laxative, mild enough for the tiniest babe, yet sufficiently powerful to act easily on the strongest constitution.

To avoid imitations and ineffective substitutes, be sure to get Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. See that a facsimile of Dr. Caldwell's signature and his portrait appear on the yellow carton in which the bottle is packed. A trial bottle, free of charge, can be obtained by writing to Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 455 Washington St., Monticello, Illinois.

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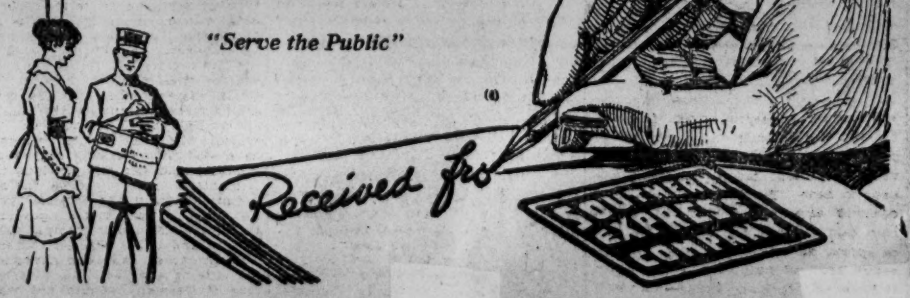

PASSAGE OF SHIP BILL IS URGED

President Points Out Imperative Necessity of More Power for Shipping Board

MEMORANDUM TO CONGRESS

Emphasizes Importance of Authority to Take Over Vessels Being Built For Foreign Concern in American Shipyards.

Washington, Feb. 27.—President Wilson today urged upon Congress the imperative necessity of action at this session on bills pending in both houses to increase the powers of the Federal Shipping Board to meet extraordinary conditions in time of war or other National emergency.

In a memorandum prepared by Chairman Denman, of the shipping board, the President emphasizes the importance of enacting the proposed law authorizing the taking over of ships under construction in American yards for foreigners. The diversion of coastwise shipping to the foreign trade was blamed largely for the congestion in overland transportation, thereby aiding in causing the rise in prices of food and other necessaries.

"Even in the absence of actual war," the memorandum says, "the measures before Congress are demanded by obvious needs, and attention is directed to the military value of adding to the American merchant fleet tonnage estimated at between 750,000 and 1,000,000.

"While relief of the congestion due to the car shortage through the agency of this new tonnage in the coast to coast trade will not be immediately large, the rapid increase in tonnage as these vessels and their successors come off the dock will be of material assistance to us in the not very remote future.

"Our hopes are that the whole situation may be cleared up by the restoration of peace throughout the world. But we cannot be blind to the fact that causes now contributing so considerably to the high cost of living in our great cities may continue for a long period of time. The increase in facilities for overseas carriage demands our instant attention." It was pointed out that care had been taken to cause as little disturbance as possible to the business of ship yards, and to the expectations of foreign investors. Representatives of millions of foreign capital, as well as a number of the American building companies, were said to have approved the government's plans.

Chairman Alexander, of the House committee, stated that he hoped to call up the shipping amendment in the House for action this week. No hope for action in the Senate has been held out.

HOW TO STOP DRINKING.

Booth Tarkington Tells of Conquest of Liquor Habit.

(From the American Magazine.)

Booth Tarkington, one of America's greatest writers, has written an article for the January American Magazine on the liquor habit, in which one of his characters says:

"I didn't plan to do it. I didn't even attempt to do it. I just did it—or something did it for me. I woke up one morning, after an unusually fierce night, and when I crawled out of my bedroom for some brandy I found I couldn't lift a glass to my lips.

"That didn't alarm me, I'd been that shaky often, but I decided to go back to bed and sleep until my nerves were somewhat quieted. I did go back to bed, and I decided to stay there until I got 'up to normal' without alcohol. I stayed there all that day and the next—when I began to care a little about real food—and the next, and the next.

"I stayed there 10 days, and when I got up I was feeble enough in body, but I'd given my mind or soul, or "something" enough rest for it to get a quiet and true vision of what had been happening to me, or what I'd slid into, so to speak. And I was through. I had decided. I knew I couldn't drink moderately."

Norman Maxwell Winner.

Pinehurst, N. C., Feb. 27.—Norman Maxwell, of the Aponimink Club, Philadelphia, won the qualifying medal in the spring golf tournament here today with a card of 150 for the 36 holes. Robert Hunter, Noroton Club, was second, with 155, while Franklin Gates, of Hoffman, N. C., who was 10th at the completion of the first 18 holes yesterday, took third place with 162. The first round will be played tomorrow.

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AMERICAN PRISONERS ARE STILL DETAINED

Quarantine Restrictions Prevent Release for the Moment

Infectious Disease Discovered at Their Place of Residence But None of the Men Are Affected, Says Berlin Report.

Berlin, Feb. 26 (via Sayville, Feb. 27)—The release of the American prisoners brought to Germany on the steamer Yarrowdale, although ordered some time ago, says the Overseas News Agency, cannot be carried out for the moment, as an infectious disease has been discovered at the place of their residence.

As the outbreak of the malady necessitates a quarantine measure affecting the number of persons about to leave Germany, the Overseas Agency states that the delay in the departure of the Americans is in the interests of neutral countries. The hope is expressed that the quarantine will be of short duration.

The American citizens, it is announced, are safe and well.

GRAVE STAGE IS BEING BROUGHT NEARER BY DELAY

Washington, Feb. 27.—Germany's procrastination in complying with repeated American demands for release of the Yarrowdale prisoners is bringing the controversy to a grave stage.

Accounted the most serious difficulty between the two countries aside from the submarine issue itself, the Yarrowdale case has been a source of growing concern and indignation among officials, some of whom now are convinced that Germany's intention is to hold the American seamen as hostages pending a decision as to peace or war.

Such an act would be regarded here as not only a flagrant violation of international law and treaty rights, but an insult to the dignity and good faith of the United States. While the administration has been inclined to subordinate all collateral issues to the paramount principles involved in submarine campaign, the plight of the Yarrowdale men has forced itself steadily forward as one of the most important factors in the existing crisis.

Another inquiry regarding the seamen has been sent through the Spanish ambassador in Berlin.

Once before the United States was advised that the prisoners had been released, but it developed that the German officials had decided to hold them until it was learned what treatment German citizsn and property were receiving in this country.

When the Yarrowdale, a prize ship, took the American seamen into Germany two months ago, the German government announced that they were being held because they had taken pay on armed Entente merchantmen encountered by the German raider. In response to the protests of the United States, however, there has been no attempt to defend such a proceeding under international law, and officials feel that by consenting to set them free Germany has recognized that she has no right to detain them.

One of the great difficulties in the negotiations has been due to the undermanning of the Spanish embassy in Berlin, which has taken over not only American interests, but also many of the belligerent interests formerly represented by this country.

MRS. WILSON COULD NOT ATTEND SISTER'S FUNERAL

Body of Mrs. Matthew H. Maury is Buried at Roanoke, Va.

Roanoke, Va., Feb. 27.—The funeral services of Mrs. Matthew H. Maury, sister of Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, who died here Monday were conducted from the home this afternoon. Interment was in Evergreen cemetery. Mrs. Wilson did not attend the funeral owing to the illness of her mother in Washington.

Washington, Feb. 27.—Social plans at the White House have been cancelled because of the death yesterday at Roanoke, Va., of Mrs. Maury, a sister of Mrs. Wilson. The two remaining cabinet dinners, those for Secretary Redfield and Secretay Houston, have been called off.

INVESTIGATING WRECK WHICH COST 20 LIVES

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the freight rounding the curve. I gave the red signal to stop. My lanterns were bright and I moved the red lamp many times. The engineman gave no signal that he saw me. When the train came closer I realized it was too late to prevent the accident and I jumped down an embankment to save my life.

"The freight train was running about 50 miles an hour. It was foggy but I could see the headlight. Had the engineman seen my signal he could have stopped in time to prevent a collision. After the crash the fireman on the freight engine and one of the freight brakemen told me they had called to the engineman to stop as a flagman had signalled. They said he gave no attention to them. They also told me that they had called the signal when their train came on the block and that the engineman called back 'white,' meaning he had a clear track."

THIS ROMANCE FAILS

21-Year-Old Model Seeks Divorce From Writer-Husband.

A young woman whose face you have seen many times smiling up at you from the cover of a magazine or looking down at you from a subway poster sued for a divorce before Supreme Court Justice Giegerich yesterday.

Just now she does steady work for Coles Phillips, artist. Sometimes she sits for C. D. Williams and often she has been the central figure for a Harrison Fished picture.

As Marion De Laire, barely 21 years old, she eloped last June with Marvin J. Sullivan, a newspaper writer. Her family did not know of the wedding until they heard it had taken place in Philadelphia.

The young model has wide, innocent eyes, crinkly and attractive yellow hair, unimpeachable features and a complexion akin to pink pearls. Her appearance is everything a model's should be.

"I have never been in court before," she said. "I don't like it. As I sat here and heard the cases before mine I asked myself: 'Are they going to do that with me?'

SPORTS

Trinity and A. & M. Squabble; No Game

DISAGREEMENT OVER OFFICIALS LEADS TO THE FORFEITURE OF STATE CHAMPIONSHIP CONTEST TO THE METHODISTS

(Special Star Telegram).

Durham, N. C., Feb. 27.—Trinity College and the Agricultural and Mechanical College squabbled over officials and the game was forfeited to the Methodist institution here tonight in the State basketball championship game.

Clay, of Durham; Tandy, of the State University, and Lewis, of the Greensboro Y. M. C. A., were the prospective officials over which the dispute arose. The Aggies walked off the floor and the Trinity basketball quintette claimed State honors for 1917 by a two to nothing score.

The A. & M. team refused to concede to Trinity's choice of officials. A. & M. objected to Clay as referee. He was coach of Trinity College basketball for three years. Trinity declined to consider Lewis as referee because the latter had a brother kho is a regular player on the A. & M. team. The local team chose George Tandy, of Carolina, as umpire.

Two of the three games scheduled between the teams had already been played in the Raleigh auditorium. The initial contest was won by Trinity by 32 to 24, and the second game resulted in a 16 to 14 victory for the Aggies. The fray tonight was to have decided the championship.

HANSON AND BEELL MAY MEET HERE FRIDAY NIGHT

Swede Has Written South Carolinian For Match—Meets Kilonis Tonight

Wilmington wrestling fans will in all probability have an opportunity to witness at least one more mat battle before the close of the season, as it was announced yesterday that Fritz Hanson and Fred Beell, of Cowpens, S. C., will probably lock horns here Friday night. Hanson has asked Beell for a match here on that day and it is more than likely that the South Carolinian will accept.

While Beell is comparatively unknown in local sporting circles, he is reputed to be a very clever grappler, and one who depends for the most part on speed and science. This being true the local followers of the game should see a good little tussle, if the pair come together.

Hanson meets John Kilonis in Columbia tonight and expects a fierce struggle with his ancient rival, but has no doubt concerning his ability to put the winning flop across. At Snow Hill this week Hanson vanquished Kid Ellis in two straight falls.

V. M. I. TURNS THE TABLES ON CAROLINA IN VIRGINIA

Lynchburg, Va., Feb. 27.—After having bowed in defeat by a score of 33 to 22 on the home court of North Carolina last week, Virginia Military Institute reversed the tables on the Down Homers in Lexington this afternoon, the fast going White and Blue five being defeated 47 to 34 by the Cadets. V. M. I. started the game with a rush, running ur a lead which they were able to hold through the game.

The game abounded in spectacular shots, Hock and McDuffie starring for their respective teams. The lineup:

V. M. I.		Carolina
Marshall,(c)	RF	Shepard
Leech	LF	McDuffie
Bacharach	C	Grandin
Nelms	RG	B.Tennent
Hock	LG	R.Tennent,(c)

Substitutions—Sullivan for Nelms; Cuthbertson for B. Tennent; Perry for McDuffie. Referee, Goodwin, Washington and Jefferson.

VICTORY IS NOW THE DOMINATING GERMAN NECESSITY

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fest to the whole world. Our alliance and our front stand the firmer and the German nation is more united and no less resolute than ever.

"We by no means underestimate the difficulties caused to neutral shipping and we therefore try to alleviate them as much as possible. But in the endeavor to do so we never can go beyond the limits imposed upon us by the irrevocable decision to reach the aim of the establishment of the barred zone.

"I am sure that later the moment will come when neutrals themselves will thank us for our firmness, for the freedom of the seas which we gain by fighting, is of advantage to them also.

Can't Understand America's Action.

"One step further than taken by European neutrals has been made—as is known—by the United States of America. President Wilson, after receiving our note of January 31, brusquely broke off relations with us. No authentic communication about the reasons which were given for his steps reached me. The former United States ambassador here in Berlin communicatd only in spoken words to the state secretary of the foreign office of breaking off relations, and asked for his passports. This form of breaking off relations between great nations living in peace is probably without precedent in history.

"All official documents being lacking, I am forced to rely upon doubtful sources—that is upon the outer (Reuter's) office's version of the contents of the message sent by President Wilson on February 3 to Congress. In this version the President is reported to have said that our note of January 31 suddenly and without previous indication intentionally withdrew the solemn promises made in the note of May, 1916. To the United States government, therefore, no choice compatible with dignity and honor was left other than the way which had been announced in her note of April 20, 1916, covering the case if Germany should not want to give up her submarine method. If these arguments are correctly reported by Reuter, then I must decidedly protest against them. For more than a century friendly relations between us and America have been carefully promoted. We honored them—as Bismarck once put it—as an heirloom from Frederick the Great. Both countries benefited by it, both giving and taking.

Have Braved Hard Winter.

"A hard winter is behind us, especially for the poorer people. The difficulties of railroad traffic increased and the difficulties in supplying food and fuel. Women and children became heroes. At no time has the spirit of love of country stood the test as firmly in the midst of suffering and want."

"As is generally known," said the chancellor, "we did not declare a blockade, but merely established definite barred zones within which every ship has to count on immediate attack. That isolatd ships escape danger is therefore self-evident. But that does not change total success. This success we shall be able to obtain partly by sinkings, partly by discouraging neutral shipping, which already has happened in the widest sense.

"Thanks to the incomparable bravery of our submarines, we are fully willing to await with full confidence further developments, which will be on the increase."

Speaking of relations with the United States, the chancellor said:

Rupture is Regretted.

"I could fully understand it if the United States, as a protector of international law, should have bartered for its re-establishment in equal fashion with all the belligerents, and if desiring to restore peace to the world, had taken measures to enforce the end of the bloodshed. But I cannot possibly consider it a vital question for the American nation to protect international law in a one-sided fashon, only against us. Our enemies and American circles which are unfriendly towards us, thought that they could point out an important difference between our course of action and that of the British. Germany, they have satisfied themselves, destroys human lives, which are impossible to replace.

"We regret the rupture with a nation which by her history seemed to be predestined surely to work with us, not against us, but since our honest will for peace has encountered only jeering on the part of our enemies, there is no more 'going backward.' There is only 'going ahead' possible for us."

Predicted Submarine War.

The chancellor then insisted that England obviously endeavored to declare that the use of the submarine weapon was the greatest crime of history since, he said, England considered herself the ordained ruler of the oceans and the benefactor of humanity. He recalled the opinion expressed on July 14, 1914, by Sir Percy Scott, to whom he referred as one of the greatest English authorities on naval history. Sir Percy, he said, predicted a submarine war exactly as it had come about during this war and declared that no objection to it would be possible on the grounds of law or morality. Sir Percy the chancellor added, obviously could not have considered that the present submarine warfare would become the only German defensive measure against the Entente Allies and the British starvation blockade.

CITY ATTORNEY ROBERT RUARK GOES TO RALEIGH

To Visit the Legislature in Interest of State-Wide Sewerage Measure.

City Attorney Robert Ruark left for Raleigh last night to spend today in conference with Representative L. Clayton Grant and other legislators in the interest of a State-wide sewerage bill, first suggested by Iredell Meares, Esq., of this city, providing means by which owners of property may have the cost of sewerage assessed against them as a lien to be paid for in a certain specified number of years. A bill carrying out the intent of Mr. Meares' bill has already been introduced into the Legislature by Representative Grant.

City Council has endorsed the suggestion of Mr. Meares, believing that it will provide a much needed means of machinery by which property owners in cities may become owners of sewerage facilities on the installment plan. The proposed bill makes it optional with cities and towns as to whether or not they will adopt it.

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Never a day passes that a dozen or more interesting items are received. We want you to get the habit of shopping here, of making this your down town headquarters where you may meet your friends and keep your appointments. There are so many desirable things that you can find here if you will only come down and look. For instance, we quote briefly a few of the recent arrivals that may suggest a use to your mind.

Steel Beads

One of the scarcest articles at the present time in this country is steel beads. We were fortunate in procuring a dozen or more bunches from a bag manufacturer, we could not secure them from our regular connections. There are very few steel beads being offered by retail stores anywhere—but we have them in the right sizes, prices reasonable.

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TOP O' THE MORNING.

"In the beginning, God." God must always be in the beginning. Divorce your life from Him or try to build your plans without Him, a failure is inevitable. —DR. CHAPMAN.

Never kick a man's dog.

Every city needs preachers but they should see to the needs of the preachers.

Anyhow, it indicates a stern determination when a stern gun is mounted on a merchant ship.

A guy with legs like pot hooks is more than apt to want to take the part of a Roman soldier in an amateur play.

If anybody shoves a fight on you shove back, but Colonel Bryan's idea is to make out like you haven't been shoved so's you'd notice it.

Those who would weaken Wilson in the estimation of Germany now by playing politics instead of patriotism are placing themselves dangerously near the twilight zone bordering on treason, and they should be made to so understand.

Dorothy Dix, in writing about matrimony, quotes Stevenson as saying that "Marriage is just a long conversation." Of course, that is what it means if a boob insists on jawing back, but if he saws wood and say nothing, marriage becomes a monologue.

A South Carolinian has an 1853 half dollar which he claims is worth $2,500. However, if he offers to exchange it for cabbages he will get only two small ones, for cabbage heads dealers possess no such state of mind as to believe that a half dollar is worth more than 50 cents in money or 10 cents in cabbage.

It's got to quit being called "slinging pots in a kitchen," else men will have to be the cooks. For the love of Mike, don't call it coking any more. Call it domestic science and create a state of mind recognizing the fact that it is the high brow part of domestic felicity.

Some of the belligerent countries are killing dogs because they consume what the people are compelled to have. If some people would raise sheep instead of dogs, they would have plenty to eat themselves. However, dog raising suits them better and legislatures always agree with them.

The Greenville, (S. C.) News states that somebody writes a newspaper contributing doctor as follows: "Will you kindly tell the cause of a protruding bone on the back of my head about the size of a bean." That fellow's bean is in a bad fix. It is sprouting bones, and the doc-docs will suspect that it indicates a bonehead.

While the news of the sinking of the Laconia and the address of the President "broke" the same day, there was no direct connection between the two events, as, according to the reports from Washington, Mr. Wilson had made his engagement to address a joint session of Congress at 1 o'clock, had his address prepared, and was on his way to the Capitol to deliver it when he heard of the destruction of the Cunard liner. Let's keep history straight.

When men are obsessed of an idea they hang on to it like grim death to a chicken-eating cat. The Republicans of the House at Washington have agreed upon a protective tariff measure, totally unmindful that the war is just now all the protection we need. Europe is too busy fighting to compete with us for the world's trade, much less for the American market. American manufacturers have a free chance at the world's trade but they are not taking advantage of it. They prefer to remain at home and exploit American consumers by means of an exorbitant tariff. They want their wealth to come to them instead of going after it.

SUBMISSION WORSE THAN WAR

Clarence Darrow, a very celebrated lawyer whose name has frequently appeared in print in connection with some of the biggest legal fights of the country, has written most lucidly of the present situation of the United States in its international relations, and although his view of the crisis was written prior to the sensational developments of Monday, what he said is given more emphasis by the later developments. Writing under his own signature Mr. Darrow says:

"President Wilson could not have done less in the war crisis. There is no excuse for shifting and mixing issues. The ocean is a highway for all the people of the world. By treaties and international law, this has been modified to permit blockades in time of war. Such blockades give the right of search and seizure, subject to courts for redress if the seizure was not justified. It gives no right to destroy ships, much less the lives of non-combatants, unless the ship makes a defense, or tries to escape. The last right of surrender belongs to all non-combatants.

"There is no chance for argument in the case of Germany. She announces to the world that all ships within certain zones shall be sunk without warning, the cargo, passengers and seamen destroyed without a chance to surrender or an appeal to any tribunal. This is against every treaty and all rules of war, and if the world shal submit, then the most desperate land can rule the seas. For America to submit would be simple cowardice, which in the end means death.

"Every belligerent nation has the right to starve the enemy if done within the rules. The North did this with the South. Germany did the same by Paris in 1871, but the rules do not permit the slaughter of non-combatants without a chance to save their lives. If the German people are starving, they can lay down their arms and be fed. If two prize fighters enter the ring, they are bound by the rules. If one sees that he can only win by striking below the belt, then he must lose or expect all men to condemn his act.

"The United States does not need to wait for the sinking of a ship or the destruction of lives. The open announcement of Germany to the world, that she will destroy ships and lives of non-combatants without warning or chance to escape, is virtually a declaration of war and a declaration that no nation can overlook except from weakness and cowardice, and America is certainly not weak.

"I know many men and women who are working for an ideal state who are against war, but no ideal state can be brought about by men who will not risk their lives to defend what they already have.

"I believe in peace, but there are some things worse than war. It would be well for the pacifists to read Patrick Henry, whose words ought to move any red blooded man. I am not one of those who believes in supporting his country right or wrong, but I do believe in standing by it when it is right and there is no logic, and, what is more vital, no feeling or instinct that does not say that at this time we are right.

"If I were to criticise the President, it would be upon the line that he has been to slow, too cautious. Very likely that was necessary, but he has certainly gone the limit in this direction:

"Of course, I know that many of my friends are extreme pacifists. I think I understand them, for I once held the view for which they now stand, but if a reasonable person has a pet theory and this theory runs up against a fact, he ought to recognize the fact and change or modify the theory. I know there are many who would hold the theory and ignore the fact, but I am not one of these."

Mr. Darrow presents the legal side of the question in a way that carries conviction to those who know that this Nation's rights are involved—that the rights of all neutrals and non-combatants are ruthlessly violated. There can be no defense in international law for a course which is contrary to both law and morals. Besides the legal aspects of this matter, there is another higher aspect—that of national honor. We are bound to defend our rights and protect our honor. A national and moral duty rests upon American citizens, and they realize that President Wilson has been slow and cautious in acting till it became absolutely necessary to perform that duty, as the highest a citizen can do.

In asking of Congress the power to protect the country's honor, if it is further ignored and disrespected, President Wilson gave the profoundest reason for it when he said that "we must defend our commerce and the lives of our people with discretion but with clear and steadfast purpose." He has condemned and protested till patience has ceased to be a virtue, but he has delayed till clear right would be on the side of the United States.

All the tragic circumstances justify the righteousness of "armed neutrality," and we believe it is the Nation's mind that the limit has been reached for temporizing with continued and defiant violations of the rights of neutrals and non-combatants, not to mention the cause of humanity. The President owes it to the American people to act with prudence but the Republic owes it to itself to be ready and prepared to resent further attacks upon this Nation's rights, now fully protested beyond all reason.

President Wilson does not aim to strike a blow, but he recognizes the fact that the time has come to strike back if blows rained upon this country are ruthlessly repeated. It is his will to do so and all he asked for is the authority that he can exercise with the same great patience and prudence which he has illustrated to us for more than two long years. It is a painful necessity that the Nation faces, and President Wilson can be trusted to take the steps that are only necessary to take.

When all of us once recognize the importance, the advantages and the need of stock raising, North Carolina will become a great stock raising state.

BETTER FARMS, MORE CASH, BETTER TOWNS.

The merchants of many towns and cities necessarily have to run credit accounts in a one-crop country and they see their capital broadcasted in the shape of goods and recorded in the form of accounts, good and bad. That system has been bad for farmers, but in numerous instances it has been the cause of failures for many merchants. It is even bad for the towns of a credit country, and the farmers and the merchants realize that it is bad all round.

They don't realive it enough, however, else they would unite in a movement that would do away with the credit system with its necessarily high prices, not necessarily high profits, because the time merchant often loses a very large per cent of his accounts. The way to up-root that system is to have better farms, more profitable farming and more cash. The farmers and the merchants alike are interested in that proposition, so when there is a movement on to make better farms and scatter cash around at all times of the year, they had better get into it. It will make both the farmers and the merchants more prosperous. More of various products to sell for cash the year through will do the work for them.

The towns also come in for their share of the benefits, for cash makes a better town. Cash business makes better merchants, so whole towns and cities are directly concerned in better farms and more cash. Therefore, the towns and the cities have every reason and incentive to join in a movement that will make better farms and make cash plentiful, not once in a year but throughout the entire year.

The towns and cities are especially interested in better farms and more cash, but in their case the idea could be better expressed in better farms, a great many more of such farms, and a great deal more money. The towns and cities can have the co-operation of the merchants and farmers along that line. If not, why not?

The secret of the whole business for all interested is in some system of farming that will assure more farm income in the way of cash every day, or every week, or every month, as the case may be. That would do away with the credit system and its consequently high prices. Credit stagnates merchandising and it stagnates towns. In fact, it stifles farming.

More farm income depends upon more of all kinds of saleable products at different times of the year. A movement along that line is a fine thing, and since a movement signifies that something has been started, all of us can sit up and take notice that there is such a movement in Eastern Carolina. It is the livestock movement, and it is to be emphasized at a great pure-bred stock show and expert conference to be held in Wilmington March 28 and 29.

Livestock and dairy farming on the side keeps cash moving all the time. Salable crops in the spring and the summer and the fall mean cash in the spring and the summer and the fall. Cattle and hogs mean that there will also be income in the winter. Cash income farming is the kind of farming we must have in North Carolina. One-crop farming? Nay, Pauline! It never pays. The other kind will. Get in the movement that means better farms, more farms, more cash, and bigger and better towns.

SHUCK YOUR SHELL.

In order to experience a broad development in North Carolina, some of its communities have to jettison some of their narrow ideas. Some of them seem to fear that they will help some other community by endorsing and co-operating in what they do. As a matter of fact, each community should help the others instead of playing the dog in the manger. Only people who are as broad as the whole of North Carolina themselves can do much towards developing the whole State. Provincialism cannot even be depended upon to build up a province." One of the first steps we can take towards State-wide progress in North Carolina is to step out of the cockle-shell in which we have contracted the canker of provincialism. Some people's ideas are confined within a radius of steen miles from where they think they live. Progress and provincialism never go hand in hand. Wade out of your little shell. You are in it right now.

THE EXECUTIVE'S DUTY

The President of the United States has a plain duty to perform, not for any party but for the whole country. The illustrious George Washington thus pointed out that duty:

"The executive has a plain road to pursue, namely, to fulfill all the engagements which duty requires; be influenced beyond this by none of the contending parties; maintain a strict neutrality unless obliged by imperious circumstances to depart from it; do justice all, and never forget that we are Americans."

There are times when a President has to rise above all political parties and do his duty to the whole country, just what the Father of His Country meant when he said that he must not be influenced by contending parties when his duty towards the Republic is plain. President Wilson feels that he owes such a duty to our country and he should have all the country at his back to help him to that duty.

TRIBUTE TO CHORAL SOCIETY

To the Editor of The Star:

It was a great pleasure and gratification to me to see the manner in which the local music loving public expressed their appreciation of the splendid work that is being done by the Wilmington Choral Society under the able leadership of Mr. E. H. Munson.

In musical circles the need of an organization of this kind has long been felt, but there always seemed to be a doubt in the minds of the local musicians as to the reception by the general public of music of the class presented last night by the Choral Society.

The audience which greeted the singers on their appearance has dispelled that doubt and the Choral Society can work in the future with greater zeal, having the knowledge that the public is standing behind them in their laudable enterprise.

The performance last night was a credit to the leadership of Mr. Munson and he, with every individual member of the society are to be congratulated on the masterly manner in which they handled the most difficult of all oratorios and when the remaining three parts are presented, I have no hesitation in predicting even larger audiences than that which heard the society hast evening.

ORPHEUS.

MR. ADAMS MAKES CORRECTION

To the Editor of The Star:

Your correspondent at Whiteville states some very pleasant facts to this much traveled colporteur who tries to minister the Word every day, and after an extended ministery of 27 years of preaching the Gospel in six states and nine years of colportage work in this part of North Carolina, I am a little puzzled over just how is best to preach the word, to speak it or put the Book itself in the hands of the people. I am very grateful for the pounding. It has been quite an encouragement to us all as a family, and, friends, we thank you every one. God bless you.

Here is why I am taking the time and your space: It is quite a reflection on Columbus to say that I found 700 homes here without a Bible. No, no. These homes have been supplied during the past nine years, and many of them were in New Hanover, Pender, Bladen, Robeson and Horry, South Carolina, and some of them as far away as Charlotte. Seven thousand will cover the whole number of volumes the American Bible Society has helped me to distribute, and I hope and pray the work is helping to advance the cause of our Lord and bring in the kingdom of peace on earth and good will to men.

J. J. ADAMS.

Whiteville, N. C.

COMMENT OF THE PRESS ON WILSON'S ADDRESS

Charlotte (N. C.) Observer: Armed neutrality in the present case means the manning of our forts and seacoast defenses and the arming of such merchant ships as may want to resume commerce carrying, an occupation which has been practically abandoned in consequence of the character of submarine warfare resorted to bp the German government. Of course, it indicates a condition which might momentarily necessitate the pulling of the trigger by this country, but until we are shot at there will be no occasion for us to shoot.

Asheville (N. C.) Citizen: President Wilson in asking Congress for full powers to meet any emergency that may arise has done what every red-blooded American expected him to do. He is well within his rights, and the country will continue to stand by him.

Lynchburg News: If war shall result from the adoption of this needful precaution, then war will have to come, but the blood of it, the shame, the horror and the sin of it, will not be upon our country's hands. It will be with Germany to force the issue.

Danville (Va.) Register: President Wilson's request of Congress that he be given authority to recognize and provide for a state of armed neutrality to safeguard American shipping will be universally approved by patriots.

Greenville (S. C.) News: The passion of the people is for peace; they are loath to embark into a world war with unforseeable complications, unless there is no honorable way out. The country is behind the President, but its hope is still for peace.

Raleigh (N. C.) News and Observer: Our people by overwhelming numbers will be found suporting President Wilson in his call for legislation which will enable him to maintain "armed neutrality" between this country and Germany. He has been forced to this by the ruthless submarine campaign of the central powers.

Springfield Republican: Congress cannot afford to view the situation with any lurking desire to embarrass the President for partisan advantage.

New York Tribune: Congress should not hesitate to grant President Wilson the power which he asked for yesterday, insofar as it is possible to embody them in clear and precise terms in legislation.

New York Times: All partisanship, all pettiness, all thought of any other interest than of the nation, now so seriously threatened, must be laid aside and the authority he asks for conferred upon the President.

Roanoke (Va.) Times: President Wilson's request should be granted promptly and unanimously, thus serving notice on whomsoever it may concern that America is one in its purpose to uphold and maintain its rights on the high seas.

Richmond (Va.) Times-Dispatch: Now that he (Wilson) has asked of Congress an authority which in all probability he already posseses, it is inconceivable that the grant will not be made. In everything the President does to uphold American rights he should have behind him the unquestioning support of every section of our country and every element of our population.

Petersburg (Va.) Index-Appeal: "Armed neutrality" is so nearly synonymous with declaration of war that only those practiced in the art of splitting hairs can differentiate. Mr. Wilson has been assuring himself of the spiritual preparedness of his country for the final step. He feels assured.

—Mr. Frederick D. Bear has returned to the city after spending a few weeks on the east and west coasts of Florida.

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ROTARIANS TO HELP SOLDIERS GET JOBS

Club Will Co-Operate in Giving Hearty Welcome to Them

Wilmington Club Will Assist In Campaign for Funds for Charlotte Institution—Committees Make Reports at Meeting.

The suggestion by President Roger Moore that the Wilmington Rotarians should assist in every way possible in getting work for members of the Wilmington engineering company and other local members of the National Guard, now on duty on the Mexican border, upon their return home next month, met with a hearty response on the part of the members at the regular semi-monthly meeting yesterday.

While expressing approval of the proposition to have some sort of celebration in token of a welcome to the militiamen upon their return home, President Moore thought a more real and genuine service might be rendered by assisting them to get work. As the members of National Guard will not reach Wilmington until March 20th, it was decided to wait until the next meeting before taking any action.

It was suggested that possibly the Rotary club, as a token of its appreciation of the service rendered by the engineer company and other members of the National Guard on the Mexican border, might give to each man a service medal. This has been done in a number of other cities. While the medal would not be intrinsically worth much, yet it would be a concrete means of showing appreciation that would be very appropriate.

As business men interested in the promotion of every good cause for the betterment of humanity, the Rotarians present at the meeting yesterday subscribed a liberal amount for a fund to be used for enlarging the Florence Crittenton home in Charlotte. The Rotary Club will assist the Charlotte club in raising a substantial sum for this worthy couse. However, this work will not be done as a part of the club's activities but by the individual members.

Mr. C. H. Moorman, who is engaged in Y. M. C. A. work, was a visitor at the meeting yesterday and spoke very highly of the work that the Wilmington Y. M. C. A. is doing for the boys of the city, declaring that the outdoor work is the best he had ever seen. He paid a tribute to the Rotarians. The welfare of Wilmington is in good hands, he thought, and with such a bunch of men behind him, he would not hesitate to undertake any worthy enterprise.

The members of the club were very much gratified to learn that the recent entertainment was a financial success and that as a result a substantial sum was realized which will be used in civic work in the city. A vote of thanks was extended to the members of the club particularly Rotarians Curtis, Harris, Ames, Polvogt, Mode and Rice for their splendid work and also to the members of the cas and outside organizations who cooperated so loyally in helping to make it a success.

Quite a number of the Rotarians signified their intention of attending the annual convention of Rotary clubs which is to meet in Atlanta on June 7th. A half dozen members stated that they would attend the district convention to be held in Charlotte on April 14th.

In behalf of himself and Rotarian Will Rehder, Rotarian C. W. Polvogt extended an invitation to the club to be their guests at a fish fry and Dutch luncheon at Buena Vista farm early in the spring. He assured the members of the club that it would be a pleasure to entertain them. The invitation was accepted with enthusiasm.

A letter calling attention to a conference to be held next Saturday night to discuss the need of better passenger train service on the Seaboard from the Cape Fear Council, U. C. T., was read by President Moore, who appointed a committee composed of Rotarians J. C. Williams, W. D. MacMillan, Jr., and L. T. Moore to attend the meeting.

Rotarian J. B. Huntington, chairman of the civic committee, reported that plans were under way for conducting a clean up and paint up campaign at an early date. Rotarian Geo. P. Galvin, chairman of the convention committee, reported that a number of conventions had already been secured and that arrangements were being made for others.

Rotarian Louis Hanson was formally introduced to the club after he had been "initiated." He promised his best service as a member. Rotarian C. R. Humphreys, who has been absent from the city for a number of months, was extended a cordial welcome.

ALMOST UNDER FIRE

Second Regiment Nearly Mixed It With Carranza Troops

Because they refused to permit a force of 500 Mexicans, including men, women and children, to cross the international border to attend a celebration of the anniversary of the death of General Madero, the Second North Carolina regiment, under the command of Col. J. VanB. Metts, came near having a serious clash with Mexican soldiers on February 22.

The Tar Heels got their machine guns ready for action, and for awhile it seemed that nothing could prevent the clash, especially when the Mexican regiment lined up on the opposite side of the river in battle array. The North Carolinians were praised for their coolheadedness.

Preaches To Large Congregations.

Rev. J. S. Crowley preached to large congregations at both the morning and evening services at Acme Presbyterian church last Sunday. At the evening service Mr. H. W. Gault was installed and ordained as a deacon by the session. Mr. C. W. Worth, an elder in the First Presbyterian Church addressed both the deacon and the church members, and with appropriate words encouraged both. There were two additions to the church.

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Former Hoosier Governor to Make Address at Academy

Civic Mass Meeting Will be Held in Interest of National Prohibition. Speaker to be Introduced by Mr. Isaac C. Wright

The prohibition forces of Wilmington will mobilize in the Academy of Music at 8:15 o'clock tonight when Hon. J. Frank Hanly, former governor of Indiana and candidate for president on the prohibition ticket in the recent presidential campaign, will make an address in the interest of nation-wide prohibition.

Rev. Dr. J. M. Wells, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, will preside at the meeting, and the speaker of the evening will be introduced by Isaac C. Wright, Esq. Rev. Dr. William H. Milton, rector of St. James' Episcopal church, will offer the invocation and Rev. Dr. J. J. Hurt, pastor of the First Baptist church,will pronounce the benediction.

The meeting will be held in the nature of a civic mass meeting and will be under the auspices of the Flying Squadron Foundation, an institution with headquarters in Indianapolis. This organization is incorporated under the state laws of Indiana and is intended to perpetuate the work of the Flying Squadron of America that a few years ago made a fight in the interest of prohibition from one side of the United States to the other. This campaign was under the direction of Mr. Hanly.

Former Governor Hanly is one of the greatest temperance orators in America and is conceded to be the peer of any. He is forceful, eloquent and convincing, and is armed with one of a speaker's greatest weapons, belief in his subject. On the chautauqua platform he has made an enviable reputation for himself.

His career is one of the most picturesque of any figure now in the public eye. His early environments were just the kind that fiction writers pick out as the ones in which to throw their hero in the beginning of his race for fame when they desire to weave the threads of their fancy about a self-made man.

Born in one of the backwoods counties of Illinois, not far from the boyhood home of Abraham Lincoln, Governor Hanly was deprived of many of the advantages that ordinarily fall to the lot of the average American youth. His early schooling was received at the hands of his mother, and it was seated by her knee that the future orator received his first rudments of an education. Later he attended school for a few weeks each year until he attained the age of 13.

Then he went out to make his way in the world against the odds that beset him. How well he succeeded in this is shown by the fact that at the age of 41 he became governor of Indiana.

With promise of a splendid future, he cast all aside to make war on the liquor traffic, and in this, too, he has succeeded to the extent that his name is now a household word wherever prohibition has established a foothold.

The lecture in Wilmington tonight is free of charge, and it is expected that quite a number will abail themselves of the opportunity of hearing one of the Nation's foremost temperance orators. The young people's societies of the different churches of the city, it was announced last night, will attend the meeting tonight in a body, each society having seats reserved for them.

SONG AND MUSIC RECITAL AT BOYS' BRIGADE TONIGHT

Wilmot Goodwin and Assisting Artists Will Appear in Two Concerts.

The song recital by Wilmot Goodwin, baritone, who appeared in Wilmington in two concerts two years ago, at the Boys' Brigade armory tonight and tomorrow night under the auspices of Notrh Carolina Sorosis, is an event to which the music lovers of the city are looking forward to with keen anticipation. Mr. Goodwin will be assisted by Miss Florence Austin, eminent American violinist, and Samuel H. Quincy, pianist, both musicians of most excellent ability.

Wilmot Goodwin is known to thousands of music lovers whom he has delighted with his art. After successfully filling the position of soloist in leading churches in New York, he sang with the St. Paul, the New York Philharmonic, the Boston Festival and the Russian Symphony orchestras. For three years he was principal baritone with the Aborn Opera Company.

Florence Austin, who appears with him in the recital, after studying violin under leading artists, scored many triumphs in Europe before returning to America. She has appeared in this country with John McCormick and other eminent singers. Mr. Quincy is a pianist of recognized talent.

Those who attend the recital tonight are assured of music of the highest class as it is given under the auspices of the National Socity for Broader Education. A number of recitals and concerts have been given here under the auspices of this organization and they have always met with a most cordial reception.

BRUNSWICK DELEGATION RETURNS

Went to Raleigh to Appear Before House Committee Regarding Bill

The delegations of Brunswick citizens who went to Raleigh Sunday to appear before the House committee in connection with the bill introduced by Senator Cranmer having for its object the issuance of $30,000 in bonds by the board of commissioners for Brunswick county to be used in improving the court house property, have returned.

The Cranmer bill which passed the Senate, received unfavorable report from the House committee, but the minority members were expected to bring the bill back into the House.

Former Sheriff J. J. Knox, a member of the delegation, expressed himself as opposed to the Cranmer bill but as favoring the Hewett measure introduced by Representative Hewett, of Brunswick, which proposed putting the question of bonds and moving the court house to a vote of the people to decide whether they want it at Southport, Bolivia or Supply.

There was also a delegation from Brunswick that favored the Cranmer bill and that went to Raleigh in order to appear before the committee and voice their sentiment in its favor.

CITY MUST PAY MORE FOR ITS LOANS NOW

Renewal of Note Authorized by Council at Special Meeting

Half of Amount Due on Recent Loan is To be Paid by City—Front Street Merchants To Put up Electric Signs.

That interest rates in New York have increased on short loans was brought forcibly to the attention of City Council at a special meeting yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock, called for the purpose of renewing half of the amount due on a note of $50,000 and authorizing the payment of the other half. The rate of interest on the new note of $25,000, which is to be paid at the end of four months, is five per cent, which is three-fourths per cent more than had to be paid on the old note.

The proper resolutions for authorizing the payment of $25,000 on the $50,000 note and providing for a new note of $25,000 in payment of the other half were presented by Councilman McCaig, in charge of the department of finance. All members of Council were present except Councilman J. M. Hall. Councilman B. A. Merritt, mayor pro tem, presided at the meeting in the absence of Mayor Moore, who is spending a few days in Baltimore.

Permits were granted for the placing of several handsome electric signs on North Front street for mercantile concerns. Applications for permits were made by Mr. D. A. Elivington for his Front street drug store, the National Woolen Mills and the Mercantile Tailoring Company.

On account of the improvement of South Front street by the city, it will be necessary for the Atlantic Coast Line to move its track on this street, south of Wright, from one side of the thoroughfare to the middle of the street. The company notified the city that it is willing to move the track at its own expense but as it claims the right of way under a deed made before the street was opened, it desired the proper guarantee that none of its rights would thereby be forfeited. Complying with this request, Council adopted the following ordinance:

"Whereas, the City of Wilmington, has requested the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company to take up and move its track in Front Street South of Wright street in said City of Wilmington, and relocate the same so that the middle line of said track, exclusive of the curves therein, shall be the middle of said street; and

"Whereas, the said Company has notified the City that it is willing to move sad track at ts own expense, as by the City requested, provided it does not thereby forfeit or surrender any rights which it now has, either by deed or ordinance, to maintain and operate said track in said Street:

"Now, therefore, be is ordained by the council of the city of Wilmington, that any and all rights, franchises, and privileges which the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company now has, by deed or ordinance, to maintain and operate its track in Front Street, South of Wright Street, now located parallel to, but with its middle line six and one-half feet west of the middle of said Street, shall, upon the movement of said track to the middle of said Street, be retained by, and are hereby confirmed to the said Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company, in all respects as if said track were allowed to remain upon its present or original location."

COMBINATION AUCTION SALE

Valuable Lot in Wilmington Will be Sold Friday by United Realty Co.

On Friday, The United Realty Company will sell at public auction on the premises, two valuable pieces of property; a large piece of business property on South Front street, adjoining the City Market house, and running through to the river, including a large lot and building fronting on the wharf, the property belonging to Mr. W. H. Yopp. This lot will be subdivided into several pieces, lots fronting on Front street, Water, and the river.

Free automobiles will leave James & James Office on Front street promptly at 10 A. M. and after the Yopp property is sold, which will only take a few minutes, the automobiles will take the crowd to No. 1308 Market street, where a valuable lot with 7-room residence will be sold. The lot 150 feet deep and runs through to a 30-foot street in the rear, fronting on both Market and Magnolia. This property is directly opposite the location of the new High School. Both pieces of property will be sold on easy terms, it is stated.

The United Realty Company also announces a public auction of 16 residence lots in Carolina Court addition, located on Orange street, one block from the car line, which will be held Friday afternon at 3 o'clock. The big beach cars have been chartered to take the people to this auction. The cars will leave Front and Princess streets at 2:30 o'clock.

The usual souvenirs consisting of several $5 gold pieces and currency will be distributed among the crowd. The owners have arranged easy terms of payment on the lots and a large crowd is expected to be on hand to bid on the property. The Wilmington band will furnish music for the occasion.

WITH THE RECORDER

Violators of Traffic Ordinance Continue to Appear in Court

In spite of the fact that the department of public safety installed a number of warnings Monday, there was the usual quota of offenders before Recorder Harriss yesterday morning to answer to violating the ordinance. They paid the costs and swore never again to operate an automobile on the left hand side of a public highway and will remember the next time.

Jim Brown, colored, paid a fine of $10 and costs for one of the grosser offenses while Lillie Wilson, who was indicted with him, went to the farm for 30 days in default of the fine. James Mote, white, charged with riding a bicycle on the sidewalk, had his case continued until today, and Ben Grady paid the costs for an assault.

Carolina Court Addition, your last chance to get one of these choice lots. Take a free ride at 2:30 Friday from the Junction. fe 28-3t

BIG RED CROSS MASS MEETING FRIDAY NIGHT

Will be Held at Academy of Music in Wilmington

Five Minute Addresses to be Made by Representative Men and Women Explaining All Phases of the Work of Organization.

One of the largest and most enthusiastic audiences that has met in Wilmington in many months is expected to attend the Red Cross mass meeting to be held at the Academy of Music on Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Five minute addresses by representative men and women of Wilmington, explaining every phase of the work of the Red Cross, will feature the meeting.

The meeting is held for the purpose of co-ordinating under a single head the patriotic endeavors of the city. It is desired to bring all the people together in order that they may learn just what has been done and what is proposed to be done by the Red Cross. To this end the addresses have been planned by the committee, so that every phase of Red Cross activity will be touched upon.

Everyone who is interested in his country should attend this meeting. It will be a meeting in which every appeal will be based upon patriotism. It will be characterized only by unselfish purpose and altruistic motives.

The meeting has been arranged by a committee, appointed several weeks ago, of which Archdeacon Thos. P. Noe was chairman. At the annual Red Cross meeting in January, it was the consensus of opinion that all the people of the city should join together in a common movement to prepare for any eventuality. The organization of the Red Cross is such as to make this possible with a minimum amount of work, so far as organization is concerned as the Red Cross is already organized and has the experience of many years upon which to proceed.

The Wilmington Lodge of Elks at a recent meeting voted to extend its services and that of its members to the Red Cross in any way possible. Other organizations have also pledged their support. The membership campaign of the Red Cross starts tomorrow and will continue for three days. It is hoped to secure not less than 3,000 members.

The National Special Aid Society has built up a splendid organization which is at the disposal of the Red Cross for any emergency. Wilmington will be ready to do her part whatever the future may bring forth.

Following is the programme which has been arranged for the meeting Monday night:

Music—High School Orchestra.
Opening Prayer—Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure.
The American National Red Cross—Rev. Dr. W. H. Milton.
The Wilmington Red Cross and the Health Department—Dr. Chas. T. Nesbitt.
The Red Cross and Tuberculosis—Dr J. C. Wessell.
The National Red Cross in Peace and War—Col. Walker Taylor.
The National Special Aid, Auxiliary to the Red Cross—Mrs. A. M. Waddell.
Red Cross Membership Campaign—Archdeacon Thos. P. Noe.
The Public School and Patriotism—Supt. J. J. Blair.
The Red Cross and the National Guard—Dr. C. L. Pridgen.
Music—"My Country"—The Audience.
Benediction—Rev. Dr. J. J. Hurt.
Boy Scouts will act as attendants.

SEEK RESERVE COMMISSIONS

Number Apply for Offices In Engineers Reserve Corps.

The proposition of the War Department to establish an engineers reserve corps in the local engineering district is meeting with decided approval among those desiring commissions, but seems to be meeting with little success in the way of securing enlisted men, although many have written Major A. E. Waldron asking for information concerning the requirements for enlistment.

Among those who have forwarded their applications to Washington for commissions are Messrs. George Catlett, city chemist, for captain; G. H. Bunker, of the local district for captain; George Brooks, of the local office, for first lieutenant; and George Rappleyea, of Southport, for second lieutenant.

CONFERRED WITH GOVERNOR

Capt. E. D. Williams Returned From Raleigh Yesterday.

Capt. E. D. Williams, harbormaster of the local port, has returned from Raleigh where he went to outline his propsed law concerning the repeal of the oyster tax law to Governor Thomas W. Bickett. He was accorded a 45 minute conference with the State's chief executive and outlined his policy thoroughly.

Captain Williams also called on Representative Grant and Senator Cranmer of this district, both of whom, he says, are with him in his plans. He also stated that Representative Grant of Onslow was in favor of the repeal of the present oyster tax law.

EASY TO DARKEN YOUR GRAY HAIR

Try this! Brush Sage Tea and Sulphur Compound Through Your Hair, Taking One Strand at a Time.

When you darken your hair with Sage Tea and Sulphur, no one can tell, because it's done so naturally, so evenly. Preparing this mixture, though, at home is mussy and troublesome. For 50 cents you can buy at any drug store the ready-to-use preparation, improved by the addition of other ingredients, called "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound." You just dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. By morning all gray hair disappears, and after another application or two, your hair becomes beautifully darkened, glossy and luxuriant.

Gray, faded hair, though no disgrace, is a sign of old age, and as we all desire a youthful and attractive appearance, get busy at once with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound and look years younger. This ready-to-use preparation is a delightful toilet requisite and not a medicine. It is not intended for the cure, mitigation or prevention of disease.

Death of Young Man.

Grady, the 17-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Rouse, of Rose Hill, died early yesterday moring at the James Walker Memorial hospital, where he had been brought for treatment. The remains were taken to Rose Hill on the northbound Atlantic Coast Line train yesterday morning and were interred yesterday afternoon.

For Itching Scalp

You do not want a slow treatment for itching scalp when hair is falling and the dandruff germ is killing the hair roots. Delay means—no hair.

Get, at any drug store, a bottle of zemo for 25c or $1.00 for extra large size. Use as directed, for it does the work quickly. It kills the dandruff germ, nourishes the hair roots and immediately stops itching scalp. It is a pure, reliable, antiseptic liquid, is not greasy, is easy to use and will not stain. Soaps and shampoos are harmful, as they contain alkali. The best thing to use for scalp irritations is zemo, for it is safe and also inexpensive.

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March 1st and 2nd

Deposits made with us on or before the above dates draw interest from March 1st, and will receive credit for Four months interest on July 1st.

Make an effort to lay aside something now. It is a good time to begin.

OLD AND STRONG.

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NEW INTEREST QUARTER

Our Regular Interest Quarter Will Begin on March 1st. Deposits Made on or Before March 2nd, Will Receive Three Months Interest at June 1st Quarter.

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Company

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The Quality, The Article, The Price, The Best, Always to be Had at

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NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

City Tax Payers are notified that additional interest will be added on all taxes unpaid on March 1st (Thursday) ensuing.

THOS. D. MEARES,
City Treasurer

EXTRA PAIR OF TROUSERS FREE

Every man's suit purchased here during the remainder of this week. This is an opportunity that comes only once in a great while. Every suit we are now showing are medium weight Worsteds, Serges and Cassimeres, some of them the advance spring styles that have been received within the last week. Suits are already priced much below what you would have to pay elsewhere, but just for this week we make this special offer with **$9.95** suits we will give absolutely free a pair of extra pants worth **$2.00.**

With $13.75 Suit pair Extra Pants worth..**$2.50**

With $15.00 Suit, pair of Extra Pants worth..**$3.00**

With $17.00 Suit, pair of Extra Pants worth..**$3.50**

Take advantage of this extra special offer and form the habit of "Get it at Belks."

Belk-Williams Company

SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Miss Ola Hutchins, of New York city, is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. R. Viner, at Winter Park.

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Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Dempsey, of Boardman, were among those registered at the Wilmington yesterday.

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The regular monthly meeting of the Auxiliary to the Salvation Army for rescue work has been postponed until next month.

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The regular meeting of the Jewish Ladies' Sewing Society will be held at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon in the Harmony Circle club rooms.

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Miss Maggie Murphy, of Burgaw, who has been visiting friends and relatives in the city, for the past few days, will return home today.

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There will be a meeting of the Hospital circle of the King's Daughters and Sons at No. 121 South Fifth street at 11 o'clock Thursday morning. All members are urged to be present.

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Yesterday's Raleigh News and Observer: "Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Harris, of Greensboro, spent the day here yesterday and left in the late afternoon for a visit to Wilmington."

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Miss Myrtle Strange, of Rockingham, who has been visiting friends and relatives in the city, has gone to Fayetteville for a few days before returning home.

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All the ladies of Grace Methodist church are invited to be present at the church this afternoon at 4 o'clock. There will be a special programme by the Mission study class and special music by Miss Anderson and Mrs. Merritt.

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COL. JAMES A. BRYAN WEDS MRS. ALICT HILLIARD BIDDLE

New Bern, N. C., Feb. 27.—A marriage of interest all over the State occurred in New Bern last night when Mrs. Alice Hilliard Biddle, widow of the late James W. Biddle, became the wife of Col. James A. Bryan, president of the National Bank of New Bern.

The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride, Rev. B. F. Huske, rector of Christ Episcopal church, officiating and only a few relatives and friends were in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan are now making their home on Middle street, where they are receiving the congratulations of their scores of friends.

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IMPORTANT MEETING OF THE NATIONAL SPECIAL AID SOCIETY

An important meeting of the National Special Aid Society will be held at the High School this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at which reports will be made by the different committees and departments. The meetings are open to all and the society will be glad to have all who will attend. The meeting will be followed by lectures on first aid by Dr Codington and Dr. Green.

At a largely attended and enthusiastic meeting of the Sunset Park unit of the National Special Aid Society yesterday, all of those present registered for some form of service in the event of war, the majority expressing their purpose of engaging in some form of gardening in order to assist in raising supplies. This unit first suggested the need of raising agricultural products, which has proven very popular throughout the city.

One of the best forms of preparedness is in producing sufficient food for the support of the country, and the ladies of the city have joined enthusiastically in the movement.

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MRS. DUNN ENTERTAINS AT WASHINGTON BIRTHDAY PARTY

Bladenboro, N. C., Feb. 27.—Mrs. C. C. Dunn delightfully entertained a number of guests at a George and Martha Washington party Thursday afternoon, 4 to 6:30. The guests were received at the door by Master R. C. Bridger, Jr., and little Miss Edith Dunn in colonial costume. The color scheme was red, white and blue, which was carried out in a pleasing manner. Large portraits of George and Martha Washington were draped with bunting. All joined in singing some patriotic songs, after which the hostess had arranged a contest of Presidents and Nations, Miss Mary Shields was the lucky contestant and received a lovely box of crystallized cherries.

The guests were then invited into the dining room, which was lovely, carrying out the same decorations. Two tables were laid for 16 and the place cards were small red paper hatchets. The centerpieces were miniature cherry trees and hatchets. A salad course with an ice course and mints was served.

One object of the meeting was to organize a new book club and the guests were the charter members. The officers elected were Mrs. C. C. Dunn, president; Mr. H. C. Bridger, vice-president, and Mrs. J. S. Norman, secretary-treasurer. The club is to meet every two weeks. A course of study was arranged and books are to be put into circulation. The afternoon was altogether a delightful affair.

TENTATIVE DATE FOR OPENING

Chautauqua This Year May Come on Saturday, April 21.

According to the information sent out from the booking offices of the Redpath Chautauqua circuit, the tentative date for the opening day in Wilmington this year will be on April 21. The circuit this year is reputed to be the best in the history of the organization and the programme is above the usual standard.

The board of directors of the Y. M. C. A., under whose auspices the chautauqua will be held, have not as yet definitely decided on the location, but expect to have these details perfected within the course of the next ten days. Judging from the ticket sale of last year, there will be no difficulty in disposing of the thousand tickets which are to be sold at reduced rates.

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NO CLASH EXPECTED OVER BOARD MEMBERS

Believed in Wilmington Grant and Cranmer Can Agree

Herbert McClammy, Esq., and Mr. Charles B. Newcombe Thought to be "Slated" for Appointment. Hearing This Afternoon.

No clash between Representative L. Clayton Grant and Senator E. H. Cranmer over appointing members of the New Hanover Board of Education is expected, according to the best information obtainable in Wilmington last night, and those in close touch with the situation predicted the naming of Herbert McClammy, Esq., and Mr. Chas. B. Newcombe as new members to succeed Chairman Woodus Kellum, who was named to succeed former Chairman J. O. Carr until an appointment could be made by the Legislature, and Mr. J. G. L. Gieschen, who resigned in January.

A hearing before a committee on the omnibus bill of the Legislature, which will carry the appointments from New Hanover, was scheduled to be held in yesterday, but at the instance of persons in this city interested in the appointments was postponed until this afternoon. While many messages were sent to Raleigh yesterday by those interested in the appointments, nobody, so far as known here, has gone to Raleigh nor was it expected last night that anyone would do so.

Since it was generally understood that Representative Grant and Senator Cranmer would get together on appointments, it was not considered necessary for anybody to interfere further than to apprise the representatives of their views.

Strong endorsements for Chairman Kellum have been forwarded to Raleigh while friends of former Senator W. B. Cooper were active in his behalf. Representative Grant let it be known several weeks ago that he favored the appointment of Mr. Cooper and Mr. Newcombe. While Senator Cranmer has not made any public statements, it has been generally understood here that he favored Chairman Kellum's re-appointment. Strong endorsements have been forwarded for the appointment of Mr. H. Gilbert Foard together with Chairman Kelium. Petitions for Mr. Newcombe have also been forwarded to Raleigh.

However, it was thought that in view of the difference of opinion between the two legislators they would agree on a compromise member and as stated, Herbert McClammy, Esq., had been picked by those in touch with the situation as the man who would be named.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. Marcus Jacobi has returned from Baltimore, where he went for treatment for a slight illness.

—Rt. Rev. Monsignor William Kieran and Rev. James Wolfe, of St. Patrick's cathedral, of Philadelphia, are the guests of Rev. Father C. Dennen at St. Mary's rectory.

—Among the arrivals at the Wilmington yesterday were: E. G. West, Goldsboro; W. S. Palmer, Raleigh; O. J. Barbeau, Greensboro; A. L. Feagle, Greensboro; L. S. Sloan, F. D. Burton, Wallace; R. C. Kornegay, Lumbertan; C. L. Capps, Raleigh.

—Among the arrivals at the Orton yesterday were: H. H. Jackson, Sr., R. G. Morrisey, Jr., Clinton; J. N. Rafferty, Rocky Mount; L. D. Broadhurst, Mt. Olive; W. B. Isham, Greensboro; W. C. Waters, Mayesville; R. F. Martin, Rowland; D. L. Cutherell, Goldsboro; J. M. Clark, Elizabethtown.

BRINGS PRISONER BACK

Reputy Rackley Brings O. D. Godwin From Darlington, S. C.

Deputy Sheriff J. J. Rackley returned yesterday from Darlington, S. C., bringing with him O. D. Godwin, a white man, wanted here for an assault with a dead weapon. Godwin will be given a hearing before Justice McGowan later in the week, probably Thursday.

Deputy Rackley went over to the South Carolina city some time ago to bring Godwin back, but the prisoner fought extradition, and Governor Manning ordered him held until he could give him a hearing. This was done, and the requisition papers from Governor Bickett were honored by the Palmetto State executive.

The offense for which Godwin is being held occurred on December 8th, of last year, when he cut Eugene Harris with a knife. Godwin submited affidavits to Governor Manning alleging that the assault was made in self defense. After the alleged assault, Godwin was given a preliminary hearing and held under a bond of $50. He failed to appear for trial and it was later found that he and his family had moved to Darlington, S. C., where he was working in a cotton mill.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following deeds were filed for record yesterday in the office of the Register of Deeds: D. H. Maultsby and wife to B. B. Humphrey, for $100 and other considerations, lot on the north side of the shell road, 66 feet west of Wrightsville avenue; H. S. Meredith to Nettie A. Maultsby, for $100 and other considerations, lot on the north side of the shell road, 66 feet west of Wrightsville turnpike; J. W. Pickett and wife, of Brunswick, to Wm. Struthers, Jr., for $100 and other considerations, lot on the east side of Tenth street, 132 feet south of Wooster; A. H. Norris and wife to J. H. Salling and wife, for $100 and other considerations, lot on the southwest corner of 15th and Queen streets, 36 2-3 by 182 1-2 feet in size; Chas. F. Nurnberger and wife to Lonnie E. Snipes and wife, for $100 and other considerations, lot on the west side of Federal Point road, leading to Wilmington Beach.

Sold in 2, 5, 10, 25 and 50 lb. cotton bags and in 1, 2 and 5 lb. cartons, packed at the refinery
Decide on your dessert, and remember, there's
A Franklin Sugar for every use
Granulated, Dainty Lumps, Powdered, Confectioners, Brown

NEW ENGINES ARE ORDERED

Atlantic Coast Line Makes Purchase For Fall Delivery to Replace Disabled Equipment.

In preparation for the expected increase in their business, it was announced yesterday that the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad had placed an order with the Baldwin Locomotive Works, of Philadelphia, for twenty new locomotives, aggregating a cost of more than half a million dollars.

The number will include ten locomotives of the Mikado type, seven of the Pacific type, and three shifters. The Mikado is the type of freight engine used for pulling heavy trains over roads where there are steep grades and are among the most powerful steam locomotives built. The Pacifics are the latest thing in passenger engines and are similar to the kind used on the main line of the Coast Line system.

While some short delay is anticipated by the officials of the railroad company in delivering the new locomotives, due to the difficulty that is experienced in obtaining certain materials used in the manufacture of engines, they expect to receive the new engines in the early fall. No prices were quoted by the officials in round numbers, nor were the prices of the individual locomotives made public. However, the cost of a modern locomotive even before the increase in the cost of material was not less than $25,000.

There is nothing at all unusual in the ordering of this equipment by the railroad company nor does it mean that the Coast Line officials are planning to add extra trains to their service. It has been customary with the Coast Line along with other modern railroad systems to bring in new supplies in the way of rolling stock every fall.

In fact the road this year does not seem, from the estimated prices given, to be as large as that given last spring for additional equipment. Last year, however, the order included box cars as well as locomotives.

SPRING CAME YESTERDAY NEARLY A MONTH AHEAD

Temperature At Highest Point Touched At 78 Degrees.

"Spring with that nameless pathos in the air
That dwells with all things fair,
Is with us one again."

A dreamy, tawny listlessness in the atmosphere all day yesterday presented unmistakable evidence that spring was once more in Wilmington, and that at least three weeks ahead of the schedule laid down for her in Farmer Turner's North Carolina almanac.

It was not one of those days that have fooled us shamefully so many times with their balmy mornings and windy, chilly nights. Yesterday was an ideal day that brought the cream of all the weather man's 57 varieties of weather and laid them at Wilmington's feet.

It was a day that sent the fur coats of the damsels into oblivion and brought into view all the latest and most radiant advance styles that old Madame Fashion has decreed for her worshipping daughters to gambol in during the sweet, loverlike days of the spring. From beneath the hems of those skirts peeped in dazzling array the latest word in—handkerchiefs, of all the hues of the rainbow and then a few that were away from home when the famous arch was constructed.

And the soda fountains too did a rushing business, not that they don't separate enough jitneys from the public at all times, but then even the tightwads felt thirsty yesterday and had to shell out, and partake of some refreshing beverage.

The temperature yesterday reached an altitude of 78 at its highest point while at its lowest meanderings it touched no lower than 58. At 8 o'clock yesterday morning it was hovering around 60, while 12 hours later it was at 62.

W. L. I. COULD MUSTER FULL WAR STRENGTH

Local Company Would Experience Little Difficulty in Getting Full Quota

Should the Coast Artillery Corps of the North Carolina National Guard be called upon to mobilize within the next few weeks on account of the break of diplomatic relations with the German empire, it is almost certain that the local contingent could raise their full war strength of 108 men.

There are at present a total of 81 men on the muster rolls of the company, and in event of war there is little doubt in the minds of the officers of the company that the additional men could easily be recruited.

While of course all orders relative to the mobilization of the militiamen in event of war have been issued under the veil of greatest secrecy, it is generally understood that all that remains to be done in order to send the W. L. I., together with their colleagues from various parts of the State, surrying down to Fort Caswell, is the actual declaration of a state of war between the United States and Germany.

In this event it is practically certain that the W. L. I. will receive the first call to the front. They are located nearer the coast defenses of the state than any of the other companies and their reputation as marksmen is among the best in the entire country.

—are always ready to light every nook and corner of the house.
Built of solid brass and nickel plated, they last a life time.
Easy to carry — easy to fill — easy to clean.
Use Aladdin Security Oil—the most economical kerosene oil—for best results.
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STOLEN CAR FOUND

Mr. J. D. Walker's Machine Left on Miller Street by Thieves

The Ford touring car owned by Mr. J. D. Walker, which was stolen from Chestnut street in front of The Star office Monday night, was found on Miller street between Seventh and Eighth about 10 o'clock yesterday morning. The car was found by one of the officers of the public health service who notified the police departmet, and Sergeant J. S. Lane and Policeman T. M. Hall pulled the car in with the patrol wagon.

The machine was undamaged. When found it was standing in a deep sand bed, and it is thought by the officers that the "joy riders" were unable to start the engine after it became stalled in the sand bed. There is no clue as to the identity of the thieves.

WOMAN COULD HARDLY STAND

Restored to Health by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Fulton, N. Y. — "Why will women pay out their money for treatment and receive no benefit, when so many have proved that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will make them well? For over a year I suffered so from female weakness I could hardly stand and was afraid to go on the street alone. Doctors said medicines were useless and only an operation would help me, but Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has proved it otherwise. I am now perfectly well and can do any kind of work."—Mrs. NELLIE PHELPS, care of R. A. Rider, R.F.D. No. 5, Fulton, N. Y.

We wish every woman who suffers from female troubles, nervousness, backache or the blues could see the letters written by women made well by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

If you have bad symptoms and do not understand the cause, write to the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass., for helpful advice given free.

CARDS TO BANKERS.

Publicity Committee of Liveatock Exhibit Sending Invitations.

The publicity committee of the Livestock Conference and Exposition, to be held in Wilmington March 28 and 29, under the auspices of the Southern Settlement and Development Organization and the local Chamber of Commerce, are mailing out special cards to the banks and bankers throughout the State, pointing out that it is essential for them to support the movement in order to make it a success.

The cards are signed by all the Wilmington banks, including the Murchison National Bank, American Bank & Trust Company, Wilmington Savings & Trust Company, People's Savings Bank, Home Savings Bank and the Citizens' Bank.

Other attractive invitation cards are being mailed to people throughout the State.

DIED.

RUSSELL—In Richmond, Virginia, on the evening of February 26th, 1917, MRS. ROBERTA LILLY RUSSELL, wife of the late Dr. Frank H. Russell.

Funeral from the Lodge at Oakdale cemetery this (Wednesday) morning upon arrival of the morning train.

Friends and acquaintances respectfully invited to attend. (Adv.)

NIAGARA
SOLUBLE LIME-SULHUR COMPOUND
For Spraying Fruit Trees
Pound Can .....25¢
Mission Pharmacy
8 NORTH FRONT ST.
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"A TRIAL IS ALL WE ASK."

The Store That Sells Wooltex
We Are Protected!
Our Mr. Harrison is in the Northern markets making selections of goods bought by us months ago. They are arriving daily and we invite comparison of merchandise and prices.
A. D. BROWN

Complete New Stock of Spring Millinery
Our Buyer has just returned from New York, and an extensive assortment of distinctive New Models of her selection are now being displayed for the first time.
FRENCH MILLINERY SHOP
GARRELL BLDG. PRINCESS ST.

IT WORKS LIKE A HOE
The Fowler has no long teeth to destroy crop roots. It scalps the surface like a hoe, and makes a perfect dust mulch. With one mule you can cover eight or more acres a day.
The Fowler Cultivator establishes a new principle of cultivation — it works above crop roots and makes such a perfect mulch that those who use it don't care whether it rains or not. Talk about prize acres! You can make every acre a prize acre, just as good an acre as if you hoed it by hand and also cut your usual labor cost in half.
We guarantee that if the Fowler and the principle it teaches do not increase your crop yield your money will be refunded.
Get our book. It tells the whole story. It's free. Send a postal today.

UNCLE SAM says: "If roots are broken, the plant will produce other roots, but at the expense of the vitality and food supply. For retaining moisture a loose mulch 2 or 3 inches thick should be maintained."
SPECIAL PRICES TO THE TRADE.

Masters Rapid Plant Setter
For Setting Out
TOMATOES
CAULIFLOWER
SWEET POTATOES
CABBAGE,
TOBACCO, Etc.

NO STOOPING
The Greatest
LABOR SAVER
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or ever used
NO LAME BACKS
WATERS AND SETS THE PLANT SO IT WILL GROW!
This little machine has no equal in all the world, and is just as much needed on the farm as the spade or the hoe.
Makes transplanting EASY, PLEASANT WORK, and will produce a perfect stand of plants and a better quality crop.
N. JACOBI HARDWARE COMP'Y
10 AND 12 SO. FRONT ST. AGENTS.

LADIES
We list here a few of our specials for tomorrow. More await you when you call:
It will pay you to call, too, for the prices in every instance mean a saving that is well worth your while.
Large Can Clayton Tomatoes .....15¢
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THEATRICAL

"There were the crocodiles with their mouths wide open for me. There was I in the midst of them, tied hand and foot. And the men who threw me made three swings of the job. How was I to know when the crocodiles would get busy?"

This from Annette Kellerman, the great star in the million dollar spectacle, "A Daughter of the Gods," which will be seen at the Academy of Music, matinee and night, Wednesday, March 7th.

"One big wicked monster seemed to have his horrible eye upon me even before I went over. 'Throw my feet toward him,' I said to the men as they swung me out. You see my feet are skinney and I thought he would not like them quite so well as if my shoulder or arms were toward him."

Being fed to crocodiles was just one of the many hair breadth adventures

Annette Kellerman in William Fox's $1,000,000 Film Production of "The Daughter of the Gods." Academy of Music, matinee and night, Wednesday, March 7th.

that befell Miss Kellerman during the nine months she spent in Jamaica, W. I., where the picture was made. Besides fooling the crocodiles by coming out of their pool alive, the original Diving Venus had to dive from a tower 103 feet high into a swirling torrent, swim through waves 85 feet high to a reef, and while the waves dashed her upon the rocks, cut the rope which bound her hands behind her on their sharp edges, so over a waterfall and through a whirlpool and finally by way of changing the subject, be burned at the stake.

Seats for "A Daughter of the Gods," the greatest cinema spectacle ever filmed, go on sale at Elvington's next Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

New Bill at Royal.

After two of the biggest days in the history of the Royal Theatre, today brings a great new bill that will again pack them to the doors tonight, Dave Newman's all-star Tabarin Girls Company, presenting "The Apothecary Shop's an original musical comedy farce staged by Dave Newman and rivalling possibl ythe first bill of the week.

"The Apothecary Shop" stars that favorite Jewish comedian Dan Friendly as "Mr. Cohn" one of the proprietors of the shop, while Dave Newman presents his partner, "Mr. Strauss," and the many natural comedy situations which this prime couple of comedy artists put over would provoke laughter on the countenance of a wooden indian.

In this new big act all of the big specialty artists who put over such big hits in the first bill of the week will have something new, novel and nifty to present for the enjoyment of the large crowds. That sensational Hawaiian dancing girl, Cassie Hurley, will have a new, typical and novel Hawaiian dance specialty that will create a sensation. "That Girlie Trio" will present their very biggest song hits tonight and the Tabarin Quarette will be much in evidence, also Miss Hawley will have some new sog numbers that will please everyone.

Two great Paramount comedies are also on the bill today—and you know what that means—a solid half hour of laughs

Thrills at The Bijou.

It is a bill full of thrills at the Bijou today. There's not a single flash of comedy on the whole bill, and some few may feel disappointed at this before they go, but after they witness the great four reels of dramatic action that bill be presented, they will understand why the comedy was left off to make room for a great two reel dramatic feature.

"A Lass of The Lumberlands" of course, comes in for first mention on today's bill. It's getting now to the point where you can hardly wait from one Wednesday to the next—so swift and exciting is the action all the way through. And to think that there's only two more chapters after today, and there is so much to accomplish. That daring film heroin, Helen Holmes, in the title role, of course is bound to come on top in the long run, but how in the world she manages to do it, no one can imagine until they see the last. So the last three chapters are bound to be full to overflowing with tense and exciting action.

The other big two reel drama on today's bill is entitled "When Thieves Fall Out," and stars handsome Harry Benham, with pretty Sonia Marcell and Mildred Gregory, in the three leading roles, a tense exciting story dealing with a clever band of crooks and their outwitting.

June Caprice at Grand.

The love, the intrigue and the hate of the good old fairy story "Cinderella," have been woven into the pulsing life of today in "A Modern Cinderella," a magnificent William Fox production in which the winsome and dainty little bit of screen enchantment, June Caprice, stars at the Grand today.

Carefully hidden under the thrills of "A Modern Cinderella," is a lesson for every family. Every young sister whose hopes and longings are often crushed to give "big sister" a chance; every older sister whose eagerness for advancement often becomes gross selfishness and every mother and father whose concern for their first-born often creates a heartbreaking neglect for their younger children should see thi agreat William Fox. It's not a sermon. It's o motion picture and contains all the love, intrigue and breathtaking action and thrills that the phrase implies.

June Caprice has not before been seen on a Wilmington screen, and when patrons have seen her in "A Modern Cinderella," today, the prediction is made that she will leap into popular favor almost equalling that of dainty little Marguerite Clark. For June Caprice is without doubt the second edition of the winsome Paramount star, and if you see her first photoplay you will not miss one of them in the weeks to come.

University Facts Presented

Chapel Hill, Feb. 27.—Facts in regard to the increased work of the University of North Coralina during the last ten years are set forth in the issue of the Alumni Review, which came from the press today. It is shown that there were 731 students attending the University ten years ago as compared with 2,469 this year.

In The Spectacular Photoplay Feature, "A Modern Cinderella" at the Grand Today

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH WILL DEMONSTRATE CHLORINATOR

Approves Scientific Method of Treating Water With Chlorine

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 27.—For the purpose of demonstrating the method of water purification by means of liquid chlorine, the most modern and scientific method of sterilizing water now in use, the State Board of Health has acquired a portable chlorinator for making the demonstrations, and makes the announcement that it will be glad to illustrate the working of the apparatus or lend it for testing purposes or in emergency cases to municipal authorities interested in having pure water.

The advantages claimed for the liquid chlorine method over other methods of sterilizing water are that besides being thoroughly efficient as a sterilizing agent, it produces no taste or odor, is more reliable than other sterilizing agents and prevents all after-growths subsequent to sterilization.

SOUTHPORT FRIENDS SHOCKED

By Sudden Death of Ex-Sheriff Walker —Funeral of Mr. Hutchinson

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Southport, N. C., Feb. 27.—The sudden death of ex-Sheriff Dan Walker last night was a surprise and shook to his many friends here, as it must have been to those throughout Brunswick county.

The 'phone message came to his son, Mr. Will Walker, who is register of deeds, and he left at once by auto for the old home in Town Creek, where his father was living. Acute indigestion, the attack being of an hour's duration, was the cause of Mr. Walker's death, as reported.

The funeral of the late James E. Hutchinson was held at the Methodist church this afternoon, Rev. T. G. Vickers, officiating, the interment being in the cemetery here.

TO SPRING A SURPRISE

Hundred New Bern Elks Going to Raleigh on Special Train.

(Special Star Correspondence)

New Bern, N. C., Feb. 27.—Raleigh Elks and the Elks from other cities who attend the annual convention which is to be held there on May 15th to 17th, are in for some surprises at the hands of the New Bern Elks who are to attend this event and who expect to wake things up.

More than a hundred Elks will attend the convention from New Bern. They will travel on a special train which will be entirely in charge of Elks and which will be known at the Elks Limited.

DATES WERE CONFUSED

Laymen's Conference at Warsaw Will Be Held Thursday and Friday

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Warsaw, N. C., Feb. 27.—The dates of the Laymen's Conference are March first and second—Thursday and Friday, not Wednesday and Thursday, as erroneously stated in Monday's paper, your correspondent, having been misinformed as to the days. Dr. McClure, of Wilmington, is expected to be the principal preacher, and the services will begin Thursday at the Presbyterian church.

RAEFORD AWARDS CONTRACT

For New 14-Room School Building to Cost $28,000

(Special Star Telegram.)

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 27.—Contract for a $28,000 school building was warded by the school board of Raeford to G. W. Cox, of that place, today.

The school will have fourteen class rooms and an uditorium seating six hundred. It will be constructed of brick.

STUPENDOUS SEA FIGHTERS.

America's New Battle Cruisers Surpass Biggest Ocean Liners.

(From the Scientific American.)

Judging by the accepted design for our new battle cruisers, the construction of a division of six of which was authorized last summer, it will be agreed that, without exaggeration, these stupendous warships, in their combination of size, speed and power must be considered to be the most novel and sensational (if we may use the word) ships designed for any navy since the day of the British dreadnaught. They have the length of the largest transatlantic liners, the speed of the fastest destroyers and the gun power of a modern battleship.

The new battle cruisers are 850 feet between perpendiculars and 874 feet over all; their beam is 91 feet and their draft is more than 30 feet. Now, 850 feet between perpendiculars is just 100 feet greater than the length between perpendiculars of the famous Lusitania, and, if we remember rightly, it is exactly equal to the length between perpendiculars of the Hamburg-American liner Imperator.

In view of these figures, it is surprising and very significant to learn that the displacement of the battle cruisers will be only 34,800 tons. This is several thousand tons less than the full load displacement of the Lusitania and about 20,000 tons less than the full load displacement of the Imperator. The apparent discrepancy is explained by the relatively moderate beam—91 feet—of the battle cruisers and the remarkable fineness of their model. The Imeprator has seven feet more beam and she carries this throughout several hundred feet of her mid length. The battle cruisers, on the other hand, fine away rapidly toward bow and stern, the entrance and the run of the vessels being as fine, if not finer, than that of a destroyer.

A CHILD HATES OIL, CALOMEL, PILLS FOR LIVER AND BOWELS

Give "California Syrup of Figs" if cross, sick, feverish constipated.

Look back at your childhood days. Remember the "dose" mother insisted on—castor oil, calomel, cathartics. How you hated them, how you fought against taking them.

With our children it's different. Mothers who cling to the old form of physic simply don't realize what they do. The children's revolt is well-founded. Their tender little "insides" are injured by them.

If your child's stomach, liver and bowels need cleansing, give only delicious "California Syrup of Figs." Its action is positive but gentle. Millions of mothers keep this harmless "fruit laxative" handy; they know children love to take it; that it never fails to clean the liver and bowels and sweeten the stomach, and that a teaspoonful given today saves a sick child tomorrow.

Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly on each bottle. Beware of counterfeits sold here. See that it is made by "California Fig Syrup Company." Refuse any other kind with contempt.

THEY MUST WAKE UP.

Old Order of Things is Passing, and Farmers Must Change Ways.

(From Pittsburg Gazette-Times.)

There is a widespread feeling that a farmer does not need education. To support this fact is cited that when a country boy goes to college he never comes back and settles down on the farm.

This is still a fact, but it is not as general as in the past ,particularly since schools and colleges for farmers have been established in many of the states in which agriculture, stock raising and kindred topics are practically taught. There are large farms in connection with most of these on which students do things as well as study theories.

The farmer was as much to blame as Congress and state legislatures for not having these institutions long years ago. Even now the farmer is slow about sending his boys to them.

The farmer, like the business man, must wake up to the fact that the old order of things is passing away, and if he does not change his ways and quicken his pace, he will be left.

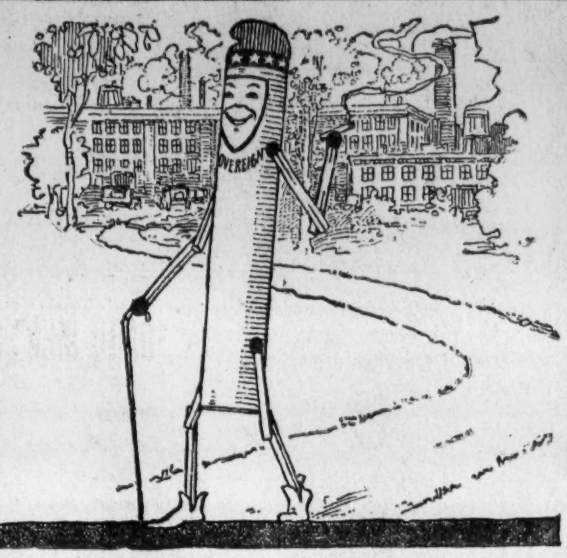
The farm can be made a more attractive place than a city shop or office. That it is not now, with mud up to the front door and extending to the stable, the barn—anywhere that a boy has to go while doing the chores, none will deny.

But this is not necessary, as you will see by visiting a model farm. Dry walks, clean stables and comfortable places in which to work are not only possible but are cheaper and easier to maintain than the rattletraps that pass as farm buildings.

Commencement Speakers

Maxton, N. C., Feb. 27.—Rev. Franklin N. Parker, D. D., of Emory University, Atlanta, Ga., will preach commencement sermon Sunday May 20th, and Hon. Robert N. Page, a member of Congress, will deliver the literary address Tuesday, Mayy 22, at Carolina College.

I Am Mighty Proud of My Home— And For Very Good Reasons!



A Rooster that Crowed— A Dog that Barked— and a Youngster that never was Still—

The big factory on the hill—how well I remember it—the brook, the mill, the tree with the robin's nest in it!

There was a rooster that crowed every morning, a dog that barked every night, and a youngster that never was still—Me—SOVEREIGN.

I remember the soft south wind that blows gently over the tobacco fields,—the long rows of waving plants of tobacco—and how carefully they are tended, and raised, and cured, and stored—all for the sake of me, SOVEREIGN!

You bet you—I'm proud of my home here down South,—of my old Virginia and Carolina stock! No cigarette in the world ever had such good blood and breeding,—nor such a fine family,—nor such a clean, white, wholesome home.

That's me, SOVEREIGN, a Southern gentleman, and one of you-all and a part of you, because—

You Folks of the South KNOW good blood!
You folks of the South KNOW good tobacco!

I'm going to spend all my days right down South here among my good friends like you—and I am proud to say this, too—

I am guaranteed by The American Tobacco Co. **—Buy me. If you don't like me return me to your dealer and get your money back. I have said it. A Southern gentleman is known the world over for keeping his word, and I have given you mine.**

Sovereign Cigarettes

FOR THE GENTLEMAN OF THE SOUTH

"King of Them All"

ROYAL

Dave Newman's

TABARIN GIRLS

New Bill Today

"THE APOTHECARY SHOP"

A Rip-Roaring Musical Comedy Farce

ELABORATE SCENERY

And the Niftiest Costumes Yet

New Specialties by Miss Hawley, Miss Hurley, Dan Friendly, "That Girlie Trio" and Others

TWO BIG PARAMOUNT COMEDIES

GRAND

William Fox Presents

THE SECOND EDITION OF MARGUERITE CLARK

J-U-N-E CAPRICE

Most Wonderful and Dainty Little Screen Star of the Year, in

"A Modern Cinderilla"

The Twinkling Eyed June Steals Sister's Beau

DON'T MISS THIS—IT IS ONE OF THOSE PLAYS WHICH MAKE THE WORLD BETTER

BIJOU

"A Lass of the Lumberlands"

Thirteenth Thrilling Chapter—Only Two More

"When Thieves Fall Out"

Two-Reel Drama With Harry Benham and Sonia Marcell in the Leading Roles

Tomorrow

CHARLIE CHAPLIN

In a Return Engagement in

"Behind the Screen"

Combination Auction Realty Sale!

Start From James & James Office, Free Automobiles, Promptly at 10:00 A. M. and Moving to the Properties Described Below, in the Order Named, Returning to James & James Office When Sale Is Over

The Terms Will Be Easy and Souvenirs in the Way of $5.00 Gold Pieces and Currency Will Be Given at Each Stopping Place.

LISTEN FOR THE BAND

No. 1. The W. H. Yopp property adjoining the Market House will be sold in parcels, lots fronting on Front street, the Market House, Water street; also one lot 60 by 60 fronting on the river. Terms will be very easy. You cannot afford to miss this sale. Prompt paying tenants in all of this property. Be on hand for full details.

GOING TO CHANGE OWNERSHIP.

No. 2. A valuable residence and lot on Market street, No. 1308, lot 150 feet deep to a 30-foot street in rear. 7-room house with all modern conveniences; a steady renter. Excellent location and in this day of high building materials, a good house already built counts. Directly opposite new High School location.

Our only reason for selling, WE NEED THE MONEY.

No. 3. A valuable building lot on Market street, between 13th and 14th, right near No. 2, but does not adjoin. This lot also runs through to 30-foot street in rear, lot 150 feet deep. Terms, of course. Mr. Speculator and housebuilder, YOUR OPPORTUNITY. This owner MEANS BUSINESS. Has other deals to carry.

THE UNITED REALTY COMPANY :: :: :: JAMES & JAMES

Alex. Webb and Geo. Montcastle Resign

THINK REFORM INITIATED BY LEGISLATURE IN ACCOUNTANCY WILL SAVE MORE THAN LEGISLATURE COSTS.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 27.—George W. Montcastle and Alexander Webb, directors of the State Board of Internal Improvements, tendered their resignations today to Governor Bickett as members of the board and in doing so wrote the Governor as follows:

"In our report of January, 1913, we recommended that the State accounting system for the departments and institutions be changed and that a commission be appointed and given authority to install the system. In our report made to you at this session we repeated the recommendations. The present Legislature has carried out our recommendation by passing the Brenizer law appointing a State Board of Accounting. We are of the opinion that the enactment of this law will save the State more money annually than the total cost of the present Legislature.

"Feeling that we have rendered our State some service, and not being in position to give the time to the office that it demands, we respectfully tender our resignations as members of the Board of Internal Improvements."

U-BOAT SUCCESSES HAVE SURPASSED EXPECTATIONS

Berlin, Feb. 27. (via London.)—In his address to the Reichstag today Chancellor von Bethman-Hollweg said that the successes obtained in the submarine warfare already had much surpassed the expectations of the German navy.

Negro Kills Brother

Greenville, N. C., Feb. 27.—Sam Drake killed his brother, Jim, Saturday night in Falkland township. They had some trouble and Jim knocked Sam down. Same made for home in double quick time. Jim followed and tried to get into Sam's house. Sam had closed it against him but Jim broke the door open and started in. Jim grabbed his gun. Jim had his gun drawn on Sam, but Sam was too quick for him and Jim got the load from Sam's gun in his neck. It struck the jugular vein and Jim died in a short time. The coroner's inquest said that it was self defense.

ESCAPES HANDCUFFED DURING INQUEST OVER WIFE'S BODY

Pitt County Hungarian Used Pick-Axe to Kill Woman?

Greenville, N. C., Feb. 27.—Near Pactolus, in the eastern part of this county, resides a small colony of Hungarians. Yesterday morning some neighbors went to the home of one of these foreigners, Joseph Zemar, and noticing that his wife was absent asked where she was. Zemar replied that she had gone to Connecticut to visit relatives. The neighbors having seen Zemar acting suspiciously on Sunday and burning brush just back of his house during the day doubted the statement.

She had been seen in her home late Saturday evening and inquiry at the nearest railroad station revealed that she had not gone away on any train. This aroused suspicion that there had been foul play and the sheriff was notified of the facts. Sheriff McLawhorn went down to investigate and the body of the missing woman was found buried near the back door beneath the spot where Zemar had been burning the brush Sunday. Coroner Green was summoned by telephone and he also went to the scene to hold an inquest.

An examination of the body disclosed that the skull of the woman had been broken in several places by blows with a pick-axe. It is believed the deed was committed sometime Sunday night. As soon as Sheriff McLawhorn found the body of the woman he arrested and handcuffed Zemar, intending to hold him until Coroner Greene arrived and held an inquest.

While the investigation was in progress Zemar, though handcuffed, made his escape.

LaRoque State Bank Examiner

Kinston, N. C., Feb. 27.—Oscar K. LaRoque, private secretary to Governor Manning, will Thursday morning become state bank examiner in South Carolina, says a telegram to relatives here. Mr. LaRoque was raised here. He is prominently connected in this city. His salary will be $3,000. Only one other official in South Carolina, the governor, draws an equal stipend, it is understood. The new examiner will have three assistants.

Washington, Feb. 27.—In accordance with a congressional resolution signed today by President Wilson April 21 will be designatec as a day for the collection of funds in the United States for the relief of suffering Ukranians.

—Mr. Elisha Sellers, a member of the Brunswick county board of commissioners, passed through the city yesterday on his way home from Raleigh.

The W. H. Yopp property at the Market House Friday at auction at 10 A. M., subdivided. Also 1308 Market, to the high dollar. fe28-3t

JUDGE CONNOR FILE FACTS IN CAPE FEAR FAIR "LAW SUIT"

Finds That Plaintiffs were not Members and Had No Voice in Election

(Special Star Correspondence).

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 27. — The judgment of Judge George W. Connor in the case of E. E. Gorham, et al., vs the Cumberland County Agricultural Society has been received here, having been mailed from Wilson. Judge Connor announced at the hearing of this action Wednesday that his decision would be against the plaintiffs, who had instituted suit to have the vice-president, the secretary and 11 directors of the Cape Fear Fair removed and their own candidates for these offices elected as the result of the annual election of January 10.

Judge Connor's findings of facts are six in number, the third of which is that the four plaintiffs—E. E. Gorham, D. K. Taylor, C. W. Grist and W. F. Clayton—were members of the corporation and entitled to vote at the annual meeting; that the 105 persons who tendered or caused to be tendered dues at the annual meeting were eligible to membership, but that none of them had been elected as members of the corporation prior to said tender, nor was any of them elected at said meeting. Other findings of fact are that none of the 63 duly elected members present at the meeting had paid their 1917 dues; that all the 66 members who were liable for dues had paid their 1916 dues; that all of the 66 members had not complied with the by-law requiring them to subscribe the constitution, but that at least 12 had done so, and that all of the 66 had been elected members.

In view of the facts as found the court holds that the 105 persons referred to in the petition were not members and had no right to participate in the meeting; and that the persons declared elected officers and directors of the corporation have been legally elected and are entitled to hold their respective offices.

GREENSBORO CLINCHES BERTH IN THE CAROLINA LEAGUE

Greensboro, N. C., Feb. 27.—Greensboro today raised the $1,000 necessary to keep the city in the Carolina Baseball League, and the forfeit has been placed with the association. In addition to this, about $3,000 will be needed in special subscriptions to tide the club over the season. It costs about this much more each year than is received at the gate. The forfeit money was raised last night and today following a meeting of baseball fans of the city. The principal speaker at the gathering was President W. G. Bramham, of the Carolina Association, who discussed the value of a baseball team to a city, and the prospects in the State for the 1917 season.

Combination Auction Sale Friday, 10 A. M. Free automobile from James & James office. fe28-3t

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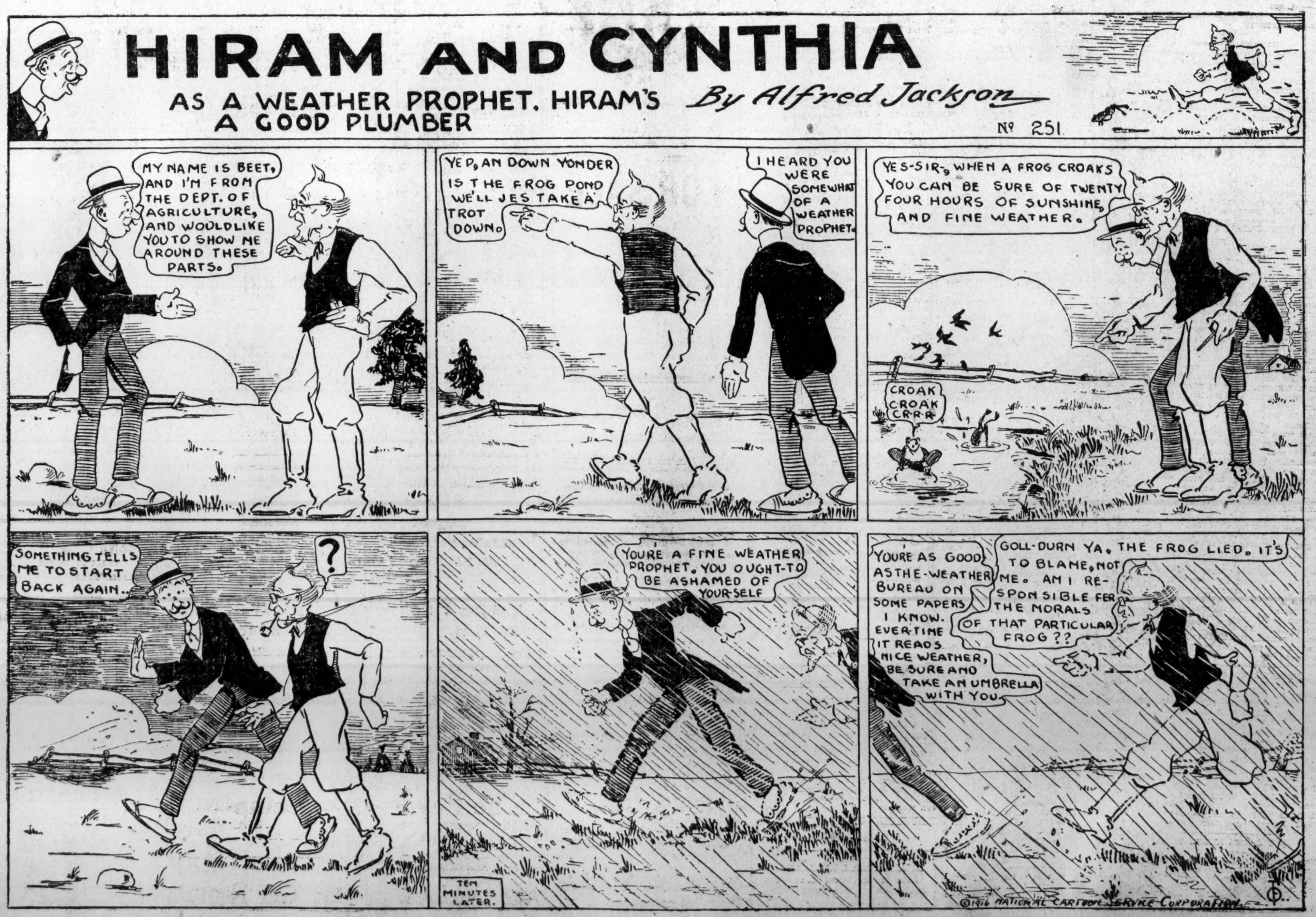
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By Alfred Jackson
No 251
MY NAME IS BEET, AND I'M FROM THE DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE, AND WOULDLIKE YOU TO SHOW ME AROUND THESE PARTS.
YEP, AN DOWN YONDER IS THE FROG POND WE'LL JES TAKE A TROT DOWN.
I HEARD YOU WERE SOMEWHAT OF A WEATHER PROPHET.
YES-SIR-, WHEN A FROG CROAKS YOU CAN BE SURE OF TWENTY FOUR HOURS OF SUNSHINE, AND FINE WEATHER.
CROAK CROAK CR-R-R
SOMETHING TELLS ME TO START BACK AGAIN..
?
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YOURE AS GOOD AS THE-WEATHER BUREAU ON SOME PAPERS I KNOW. EVER-TIME IT READS NICE WEATHER, BE SURE AND TAKE AN UMBRELLA WITH YOU.
GOLL-DURN YA. THE FROG LIED. IT'S TO BLAME, NOT ME. AM I RESPONSIBLE FER THE MORALS OF THAT PARTICULAR FROG??
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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

COTTON AT HIGHER LEVEL

Flurry of Covering by Near Months Shorts is Basis for Net Advance of 13 to 54 Points.

New York, Feb. 27.—The feature in the cotton market today was a flurry of covering by near months shorts which sent March up to 16.94, or 57 points above last night's close, and May to 16.78, or 42 points net higher. Later months were comparatively quiet, but the market closed very steady with the general list showing net advances of 13 to 54 points.

The market opened steady and unchanged to an advance of 3 points. With the difference between May in New York and May-June in Liverpool amounting to about 520 points, making a new record for the season, Liverpool buying was supposed to be in the way of profit taking on old straddles. It exercised a considerable influence in a narrow market, and after the buying for that accounr was shut out by the close abroad, prices were sustained by local covering.

Toward midday near month shorts showed invreasing nervousness and evidently found verey few sellers. March shot up from 16.50 to 16.95 on purchases estimated at only 2,000 bales, and later sold at 16.94, while May shorts also became active.

July sold at 16.69 and October at 16.07, 20 to 30 points net higher. Closing prices were within a few points of the best.

	Open	high	low	closing	bid
March	.. ..	..16.40	16.94	16.33	16.91
May	.. ..	..16.40	16.78	16.33	16.74
July	.. ..	.. 16.39	16.69	16.36	16.68
October	.. ..	..15.87	16.07	15.85	16.00
December	.. ..	..15.97	16.16	15.97	16.10

Spot cotton, steady; middling 17.05.

PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans—Middling 16.75; receipts 2,898; exports 1,300; sales 1,845; stock 442,429.

Galveston—Middling 16.90; receipts 7,403; exports 12,684; sales 1,180; stock 281,735.

Mobile—Middling 16.25; receipts 979; stock 9,180.

Savannah—Middling 18.50; receipts 650; stock 150,414.

Charleston—Receipts 516; stock 50,-149.

Wilmington—Middling 16⅞; receipts 40; stock 51,288.

Norfolk—Middling 16.88; receipts 774; sales 173; stock 102,438.

Baltimore—Stock 14,980.

Boston—Middling 16.55; receipts 360; stock 12,600.

Philadelphia—Middling 17.30; stock 2,561.

New York—Middling 17.05; receipts 19; sales 400; stock 155,042.

Minor Ports—Stock 52,010.

Total today—Receipts 13,638; exports 13,984; stock 1,324,826.

Total for week—Receipts 33,302; exports 35,582.

Total for season—Receipts 5,871,079; exports 4,049,943.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Middling 16.90; receipts 3,-800; shipments 4,515; sales 609; stock 153,720.

Memphis—Middling 17.00; receipts 5,-241; shipments 3,875; sales 1,350; stock 354,310.

Augusta—Middling 17.06; receipts 893; shipments 50; sales 321; stock 120,736.

Cincinnati—Receipts 266; shipments 190; stock 22,446.

Little Rock—Middling 16.25; receipts 340; shipments 319; sales 319; stock 32,221.

Dallas—Middling 16.50; sales 5.

Montgomery—Middling 17.00; sales 23

Total today—Receipts 10540; shipments 8,949; stock 683,433.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

Sudden Strength of March Position Outweighs Other Features

New Orleans, Feb. 27.—Sudden and pronounced strength of the March position outweighed all other factors in the cotton market today and caused moderately heavy buying which sent the whole list to higher levels. March led the advance at all times and rumors were afloat of a squeeze in that month. At the highest of the day the spot position was 52 points up and other positions were 16 to 47 up.

An unsettled feeling prevailed in the early trading, brokers and operators not knowing how to take the political situation. The market was kept from declines by a better Liverpool than due and by the continued drouth in Texas. Soon after the opening prices were 20 to 11 points under yesterday's close and the Laconia disaster plainly was restricting buying. By the middle of the morning the market had a better tone, on the strength of March, and during the remainder of the session prices had an upward tendency. The close was steady 4 to 51 points up net.

For the first time in a month, spots were quoted otherwise than nominal, the tone being called steady, and unhedged cotton was traded in. Throughout the month nothing but hedged cotton had been bought and sold. The day's business established a new price of 16.75 for middling which was 4 points under the old nominal price, but was tsill above the level of the contract market. Closing bid:

March 16.63; May 76.42; July 16.29; October 15.57; December 15.67.

Spot cotton, steady, 44 points off. Sales on the spot 1,695 bales; to arrive 150; middling 16.75.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Feb. 27.—Spot cotton steady. Good middling 11.53; middling 11.43; low middling 11.25. Sales 7,000 bales; 700 for speculation and export; receipts 6,100 bales.

Futures—Steady. February 11.07; February and March 10.99; March and April 10.94; April and May 10.83; May and June 10.84; June and July 10.78; July and August 10.71; August and September 10.46; September and October 10.15; October and November 10.00; November and December 9.90; December and January 9.85; January and February 9.82; February and March 9.82.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Feb. 27.—Cotton goods for export were quiet today, the domestic market being steady to firm. There was a moderate demand for silks. Men's wear was quiet and firm and yarns steady.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, Feb. 27.—Hogs closed strong, average 20c higher; bulk 13.10 to 13.30; light 12.50 to 13.30; mixed 12.95 to 13.35; heavy 12.90 to 13.35; rough 12.90 to 13.00; pigs 10.00 to 11.35.

Cattle—Active and strong; calves 50 to 1.00 lower; native beef cattle 7.90 to 12.15; stockers 6.35 to 9.20; cows and heifers 5.25 to 10.25; calves 8.00 to 12.00.

Sheep—Steady, 10 lower; sheep, weathers 10.75 to 12.00; ewes 8.50 to 12.00; lambs 12.00 to 14.50.

NEW YORK LIVE STOCK.

New York, Feb. 27.—Beeves, barely steady; bulls 6.50 to 7.00; common to fair cows 4.00 to 6.00.

Calves—Weak. veals 9.00 to 13.50; culls 6.50 to 8.50; fed calves 5.75 to 7.50; barnyard calves 5.00 to 5.50; yearlings 4.50.

Sheep and Lambs—Easier; fair sheep 10.00; lambs 14.25.

Hogs—Firm; light to medium state hogs 12.75 to 13.50; rough 12.00.

SAVANNAH NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, Feb. 27.—Turpentine firm, 48½c; sales none; receipts 40; shipments 393; stock 13,676.

Rosin—Firm; sales 619; receipts 52; shipments 142; stock 78,119. Quote: A B C D E F G, 6.00; H I K M, 6.20; N, 6.35; WG, 6.45; WW, 6.65 to 6.70.

NE WYORK PROVISIONS.

New York, Feb. 27.—Raw sugar nominal; centrifugal 5.02; molasses 4.15; refined steady.

Butter—Unsettled.

Cheese—Firm.

Coffee—Spot quiet; Rio 7s, 9¾c; Santos 4s, 10¾c.

NO GRAIN MARKET REPORT

Chicago, Feb. 27.—The Board of Trade was closed today on account of primary.

MARINE.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Santa Rosalia, 3,488 tons, Jones, Heide & Co.

Str. Nicaria (Ger.), 3,288 tons, Hollasch, Heide & Co.

Str. Kiel (Ger.), 2,872 tons, Lemke, Heide & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

(Quoted Daily by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Feb. 27.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—47½c.

ROSIN—Nominal.

TAR—$2.75-12½c.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Nominal.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, nominal; rosin, nominal; tar, $1.70-8c; crude turpentine, nominal.

RECEIPTS:

Spirits Turpentine ... ...(—)

Rosin ... ...(—)

Tar 159

Crude Turpentine 2

Receipts same day last year—Spirits turpentine, (—) casks; rosin, (—) barrels; tar, 18 barrels; crude turpentine, (—) barrels

COTTON MARKET.

Market—16⅞; same day last year, 11¼c.

Receipts—40 bales; same day last year, 163 bales.

Total receipts since August 1 to date, 77,796 bales.

Total receipts to same date last year, 149,562 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at February 27, 1917.

Atlantic Cosat Line—25 bales cotton; 2 barrels crude turpentine.

Seaboard Air Line—25 bales cotton; 87 barrels tar.

Str. Thelma—40 barrels tar.

Str. Hurt—32 barrels tar.

Total—40 bales cotton; 159 barrels tar; 2 barrels crude turpentine.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Purchase price quoted by W. J. Mersedith, Feb. 27.)

SWEET POTATOES — Yams, 75c. to 85c. bushel.

IRISH POTATOES—$2.00 per bu.

CORN—$1.15 to $1.17½ per bu.

BEEF—Native dressed, 9c. to 10c.

PORK—10c to 12c per pound.

WOOL—Burry, 20 to 22 1-2c; first class wool, 20c. to 35c.; highest grade, washed wool, 38c.

HIDES—Green, salt, 18c. to 20c.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON — Hams, 20c.; sides and shoulders ,15c. to 16c. per lb.; good demand.

BEESWAX—Firm, 25c. per pound; good demand.

POULTRY — Turkeys, 20c. on foot; dressed, 25c. lb.; chickens, grown, 45c. to 50c.; spring, 20c. to 25c. head.

EGGS—Dull, 32c to 34c.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Feb. 27.—North Carolina peanuts, new crop, farmers' stock, fancy hand-picked, $1.15; No. 1, machine, $1.12 per bushel.

Virginia peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, Jumbos, 80c.; fancy hand-picked, 75c.; No. 1, machine picked, 65c.

Spanish peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, No. 1, small, machine picked, $1.25; Jumbos, $1.20 per bushel.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co. Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., Feb. 27.—Spanish—Farmers' stock—Market firm, $1.60 per bu.

Virginias, Farmers' stock—Market steady. Fancy Jumbo 4½c per lb.; Extra Prime, 4¼c per lb.; Prime, 4c per lb.; Shelling stock, 3¼ to 3¾c. per lb.

COTTON SEED OIL MARKET.

New York, Feb. 27.—The market for cotton seed oil was higher on active short covering and good general buying on the pronounced strength in all competing products and the sharp upturn in cotton. Final prices were 7 to 10 points net higher. Tenders 500 barrels; sales 37,000 barrels.

Close strong. Spot 12.75 bid; March 12.74 to 12.76; April 12.70 to 12.75; May 12.74 to 12.75; June 12.73 to 12.75; July 12.74 to 1276; August 12.75 to 12.76; September 12.74 to 12.75; October 12.05 to 12.15.

Free street cars leave Front and Princess at 2:30 Friday, March 2nd, for that lot sale at 17th and Orange. The sale will last but 30 minutes. fe 28-3t

STOCKS GO FURTHER DOWN

Greater Apprehension Over Strained Relations With Germany—Rails Among the Losers.

New York, Feb. 27.—Apprehension arising from the further strain of relations between Washington and Berlin was the feature of the stock market today. Lowest prices prevailed in the later dealings. Trading was narrow and moderate throughout the session, except on a temporary rebound of prices in the first hour. With the cessation of short covering prices fell again, rails losing ground with less stable issues.

United States Steel was absorbed in round amounts during the forenoon and was sold with equal freedom later, fluctuating between 109 and 108, closing at 108 3-8, a net loss of 3-4 of a point. Other steel shares were more irregular, Crucibdle Steel making a net loss of a fraction after rising 2 points.

Coppers were steady at the outset on an active demand for the metal, but yielded 1 to 2 points with Central Leather, oils, motors and their accessories and various unclassified stocks on small offerings.

Shippings lost 2 to 3 points after early gains and Industrial Alcohol made an extreme reversal of 3 3-8.

Rails were active, almost wholly at the expense of quoted values, New Haven losing 2 1-2 points on reports of an approaching change o fexecutive management with one to almost two points for coalers, the leading Pacifics and Chaicago and Northwestern.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, $3,325,000.

United States bonds, unchanged on call.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Allis Chalmers	25⅛
American Beet Sugar	88½
American Can	43
American Car & Foundry	63½
American Cotton Oil	43½
American Locomotive	70½
American Smelting	98¾
American Sugar	112½
American Tel. & Tel.	125
American Tobacco	208⅞
American Zinc	37
Anaconda Copper	79¾
Atchison	102½
Atlantic Coast Line	112
Baldwin Locomotive	52¾
Baltimore & Ohio	76⅞
Bethlehem Steel	129
Canadian Pacific	153¾
Central Leather	86⅛
Chesapeake & Ohio	58¾
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	81
Chicago, R. I. & Pac. Ry.	27½
Colorado Fuel & Iron	47
Consolidated Gas	122¼
Corn Products	21¼
Crucible Steel	64⅞
Cuba Cane Sugar	39¼
Erie	26⅝
General Electric	163¼
Great Northern pfd	114
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	32
Goodrich	54⅞
Illinois Central	101⅝
Inspiration Copper	57⅜
Int. Mer. Marine pfd	70⅞
International Nickel	41
International Paper	36⅝
Kansas City Southern	21½
Kennecott Copper	44½
Lehigh Valley	72¼
Louisville & Nashville	126½
Liggett & Myers	250
Lorillard Co.	200
Maxwell Motors	54
Mexican aPtroleum	87½
National Lead	56½
New York Central	94⅞
N. Y., N. H. & Hartford	43⅛
Norfolk & Western	130¾
Northern Pacific	103¼
Pennsylvania	54¾
Ray Consolidated Copper	27
Reading	93⅝
Republic Iron & Steel	77
Seaboard Air Line	14¾
Seaboard Air Line pfd	32¾
Sloss Shef. Steel & Iron	60
Studebaker Corporation	100¼
Southern Pacific	94⅜
Southern Railway	27⅝
Southern Railway pfd	60
Tennessee Copper	15
Texas Company	224¼
Union Pacific	138
United Fruit	141
United States Rubber	52¾
United States Steel	108⅝
United States Steel pfd	117⅞
Utah Copper	110⅛
Virginia Caro. Chem.	39
Wabash pfd "B"	25¼
Western Union	93¾
Westinghouse Electric	49⅜
Missopri Pacific w.i.	29⅞

Dr. Poteat at Chapel Hill

Chapel Hill, N. C., Feb. 27.—Dr. W. L. Poteat, president of Wake Forest College, spoke here last night under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. on "The Thirty Silent Years of Christ's Life." This lecture, delivered before an audience that crowded the chapel, was the beginning of the programme of the religious meetings department of the Y. M. C. A. for the coming spring.

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THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

February 28, 1917.

Meteorological data for day ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 60 degrees; at 8 P. M., 62 degrees; maximum, 74 degrees; minimum, 58 degrees; mean, 66 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00 inch; rainfall for the month, to date, 1.18 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. yesterday, 18.6 feet and falling.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina: Cloudy Wednesday and Thursday, probably rain; colder Wednesday.

The Port Calendar, Feb. 28, 1917.

Sun rises ..... 6:42 A. M.
Sun sets ..... 6:07 P. M.
Day's length ..... 11 hrs. 25 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	P.M.	Low water. A.M.	P.M.
Wimington	2:58	3:20	10:21	10:32
Southport	12:54	1:09	7:24	7:33
Masonboro Inlet.	12:43	12:58	7:04*	7:13

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

February 27, 1917.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature: Highest today.	Lowest. Last night.	Precipitation at 8 P.
Abilene	..	40		...
Asheville	clear	72	56	.0
Atlanta	pt cldy	74	60	.0
Augusta	clear	80	62	.0
Baltimore	rain	62	..	.04
Birmham	pt cldy	76	64	.0
Boston	cldy	54	48	.58
Charleston	clear	76	58	.0
Charlotte	clear	74	58	.0
Chicago	pt cldy	28	16	.0
Galveston	clear	74	66	.0
Jaxville	clear	80	60	.0
Memphis	cldy	46	46	.01
Mobile	clear	76	62	.0
Montgomery	clear	80	60	.0
N. Orleans	clear	80	66	.0
New York	cldy	56	46	.0
Oklahoma	clear	48	28	.0
Palestine	cldy	82	64	.0
Pittsburg	cldy	38	32	.0
Raleigh	clear	78	62	.0
Savannah	clear	80	60	.0
Shreveport	cldy	82	66	.0
St. Louis	cldy	34	26	.0
Washington	rain	62	54	.04

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No. 51 5:30 A. M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, St. Petersburg, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia open to receive outbound passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, Southbound, until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50 12:20 A. M. Daily.
No. 64 5:45 A. M. Daily except Sunday.	Jacksonville, New Bern and Intermediate stations.	No. 65 6:15 P. M. Daily except Sunday.
No. 48 8:00 A. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. **Parlor cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains having Pullman service.**	No. 49 6:05 P. M. Daily.
No. 53 8:45 A. M. Daily.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52 8:00 P. M. Daily.
No. 63 3:05 P. M. Daily.	Jacksonville, New Bern and intermediate stations.	No. 63 12:30 P. M. Daily.
No. 55 3:45 P. M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Florence, Columbia, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida points. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, Augusta and Atlanta. **Sleeping cars daily between Florence and Columbia,** which may be occupied at Columbia until 7:00 A. M.	No. 54 12:50 P. M. Daily.
No. 59 6:30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.	Fayetteville and intermediate stations.	No. 60 10:15 A. M. Daily except Sunday.
No. 42 6:45 P. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York Trains, carrying dining cars; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41 9:50 A. M. Daily.
No. 57 7:00 P. M. Daily except Sunday	Chadbourn, Conway and Intermediate points.	No.58 9:25 A. M. Daily except Sunday

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SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

IN EFFECT DECEMBER 4, 1916.

WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE, WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH

EASTBOUND			WESTBOUND		
Leave "Electric Centre" for Winter P'rk	Leave "Electric Centre" for Wrightsv'le	Leave "Electric Centre" for Beach	Leave Beach for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsv'le for Wilmington	Leave Winter P'rk for Wilmington
*6:30 A.M.	*6:30 A.M.	*6:30 A.M.	.....	*6:15 A.M.	*6:26 A.M.
16:30 A.M.	16:30 A.M.	x16:30 A.M.	z17:05 A.M.	17:15 A.M.	17:26 A.M.
*6:50 A.M.	*6:50 A.M.	.....	.....	*7:20 A.M.	*7:31 A.M.
*8:00 A.M.	*8:00 A.M.	.....	*7:40 A.M.	*7:50 A.M.	*8:01 A.M.
*8:30 A.M.	*8:30 A.M.	*8:30 A.M.	.....	*8:30 A.M.	*8:41 A.M.
18:30 A.M.	18:30 A.M.	x18:30 A.M.	z19:05 A.M.	19:15 A.M.	19:26 A.M.
10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	*9:15 A.M.	*9:25 A.M.	*9:36 A.M.
11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	.....	10:20 A.M.	10:31 A.M.
11:00 P.M.	11:00 P.M.	11:00 P.M.	10:45 A.M.	10:55 A.M.	11:06 A.M.
*1:10 P.M.	*1:10 P.M.	x*1:10 P.M.	12:15 P.M.	12:25 P.M.	12:36 P.M.
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7:40 A.M.	Ar.	Selma	Lv. 8:38 P.M.
8:52 A.M.	Ar.	Raleigh	Lv. 7:25 P.M.

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MRS. RUSSELL AND HER COMPANION BOTH DEAD

Mrs. Kelly of Ashboro Dies in Hospital After Shooting

Wilmington Woman and Her Companion Shot With Same Pistol in Richmond—Body of Mrs. Russell Now on Way Home.

(Special Star Telegram).

Richmond, Va., Feb. 27.—The body of Mrs. Robert L. Russell, of Wilmington, N. C., who shot herself through the temple last night in an abandoned quarry near Westbrook Sanitarium, where she had been a patient for several months, was sent at 4:10 o'clock this afternoon to Wilmington for burial.

Frank Moss, her brother-in-law, of Washington, N. C., who arrived here after the remains had gone, left on a later train for Wilmington. Mrs. Russell apparently died instantly.

The body of Mrs. R. C. Kelly, of Ashboro, N. C., who died at Johnston-Willis hospital today as a result of shooting herself through the head with the same pistol, was taken to Raleigh tonight by her brother, Dr. Alfred Mordecai, of that city.

A note which Mrs. Russell left indicated that the two women formed a suicide pact and carried it out as planned. Both were to have been discharged as cured very shortly from the sanitarium.

Hundreds of friends in Wilmington were greatly shocked yesterday to learn of the death of Mrs. Roberta Lilly Russell, who was highly esteemed by a wide circle of acquaintances here and elsewhere. She was a woman of noble character, a true Christian and a devoted member of the First Presbyterian church.

She was ever ready to extend a helping hand to the poor and needy and did much quiet and unpretentious charity. Following a nervous breakdown she had gone to the Richmond sanitarium and her numerous friends here were looking forward with pleasure to the time when she could return home again.

She was a daughter of the late Mr. Edmund Lilly, a prominent citizen of Wilmington, and was 43 years old. Her husband, Dr. Frank H. Russell, who, for many years was a well known and skilled physician and surgeon in Wilmington, passed away about two years ago.

Mrs. Russell is survived by three children, Misses Katherine and Jane Russell, of this city, and Frank H. Russell, who is attending school in New York city, and two sisters, Mrs. William Gilchrist and Miss Kate Lilly, both of this city. These will have the tender sympathy of a host of friends in their sad bereavement.

The remains will arrive in Wilmington on the 9:50 train this morning and will be taken immediately to the chapel at Oakdale cemetery, where the funeral services will be conducted by Rev. Dr. J. M. Wells, pastor of the First Presbyterian church. The interment will be in the family plot in the cemetery.

Frank H. Russell, her only son, will arrive from New York this morning to attend the funeral services.

RESISTANCE OF GERMAN FORCES GROWS STRONGER

Doing Everything possible to Check the British Advance

British Headquarters in France, Feb. 27, via London.—(From a Staff Correspondent of the Associated Press).—There was sharper resistance along the line of the German retreat today than at any time since the movement began. There is no indication as yet of a fixed purpose by the Germans to make a definite stand, but they are doing everything possible to interfere with the British advance. The rear outposts were immensely strengthened and this led to stiff fighting with the British forward patrols.

TWO NEWSPAPER MEN ARE BLAMED FOR "PEACE LEAK"

Report Exonerates All Persons Connected With Government.

Washington, Feb. 27.—A unanimous report saying that no one save two Washington newspaper men, J. Fred Essary, and W. W. Price, were responsible for what ever "leak" there was on Preisdent Wilson's peace note, was presented to the House, by Chairman Henry, of the rules committee. All persons connected with the government, including Secretary McAdoo and Secretary Tumulty, members of both houses, and R. W. Bolling, a brother-in-law of the President, are specifically cleared of suspicion.

The report probably will be accepted in a day or two and formally end the leak investigation.

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 27.—The women of Ontario were virtually assured the right to vote when the government, through Premier Hearst, tonight endorsed the bill of T. W. Johnston, providing for equal suffrage.

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For a few cents you can get a small bottle of the magic drug freezone recently discovered by a Cincinnati man.

Just ask at any drug store for a small bottle of freezone. Apply a few drops upon a tender, aching corn and instantly, yes immediately, all soreness disappears and shortly you will find the corn so loose that you lift it out, root and all, with the fingers.

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Hard corns, soft corns or corns between the toes, also hardened calluses on bottom of feet just seem to shrivel up and fall off without hurting a particle. It is almost magical. It is a compound made from ether says a well known druggist here and the genuine has a yellow label.

PRESIDENT WAITS UPON CONGRESS BEFORE GIVING ANSWER ON RUTHLESSNESS

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After the first meeting Chairman Flood conferred with Postmaster General Burleson and learned that the President would object to any material change in the bill as presented. The State Department also let it be known that an amendment exempting vessels carrying contraband would be very objectionable, both because it would be unwarrantable discrimination and because it would open the way for endless controversy over what was contraband.

Provisions of Senate Bill.

The bill agreed upon by the Senate committee would authorize the President to supply merchant vessels with defensive arms, fore and aft, ammunition and gunners, and also empowers him to employ "such other instrumentalities and methods" as he deems necessary to protect vessels and citizens of the United States on the high seas. The bill further includes the $100,000,000 bond issue as provided in the House bill.

Four senators, three Democrats and one Republican, Stone, Hitchcock, O'Gorman and Smith, of Michigan, were opposed to the main section of the bill as amended for various reasons, but no roll call was taken on the motion to report the bill in its final form.

One of the principal differences in the bill from the measure submitted to the House is a provision in the first section which authorizes commanders and crews of all merchant vessels to arm and defend their own vessels against unlawful attacks. This was taken from an anti-piracy statute adopted by the government in 1819.

Certain Features Eliminated.

The committee also voted to eliminate from the original form recommended by the President the words "should it in his judgment become necessary for him to do so" applied to the authorization to arm the ships. This was stricken out because the majority of the committee believed it carried the implication that the emergency demanding the arming of ships had not yet arrived, when it is their opinion that the emergency exists and has existed for some time. Several senators pressed an amendment which would "direct" the President to arm the merchant ships, but this was repected. Among senators who favored it were Lodge, Sutherland and Borah.

Senators Stone, Hitchcock and O'Gorman, the three Democrats who did not approve the measure as finally drafted, were opposed to it principally because of refusal of the committee to accept an amendment by Senator Stone which would withhold protection from American ships carrying munitions of war.

Senator Smith, of Michigan, Republican, also favored this amendment and he also opposed retention in the measure of the clause authorizing the President to employ "other instrumentalities." Senator McCumber, of North Dakota, joined him, together with Senators Stone and McCumber in this vote.

Those opposed to the measure also sought to limit it by a provision which would prevent the President from placing gunners of the navy on armed merchant ships. This proposal was rejected. Another amendment submitted by senators who sought to direct immediate arming of ships would have authorized the President to convoy merchant vessels with warships. This likewise was rejected.

Regarding retention of the clause giving the President blanket powers to handle the situation, senators generally said that the President was entitled to the power and that it would be difficult to find words making such power more specific.

Senator Smith, in introducing the bill, said he was directed to ask its first and second reading, and a reference back to the committee. Senator Kirby, in the chair, said without objection the bill would be read twice and referred as requested.

LaFollette Comes In.

Senator LaFollette, who had not been in his seat, entered and asked the chair if he correctly understood the parliamentary situation, that unanimous consent had been given to introduce the bill, read it twice and refer it to the Foreign Relations committee.

The chair said as he understood the Senate rules the bil lhad been introduced and read by unanimous consent.

"I object," said Senator LaFollette. He insisted that under the Senate rules the chair could not hold such a request which did not meet with objection to have been an introducion by unanimous consent.

The chair adhered to his ruling and said the objection came too late, but that recourse could be had to a motion to appeal from his ruling. Senator Stone ended the incident by saying that he was content to allow the bill to be considered as introduced, but as having been read only the first time. This prevented its reference to the committee.

CONTINUOUS SESSION OF SENATE PROBABLE

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measures have not even been sent over from the House.

These indications lead many Senators to believe that President Wilson will find some of the great government departments unprovided for March 5 and that he will be forced to call an extra session to give them funds.

Under the present working agreement objection by one senator can prevent the taking up of any measure other than the revenue bill, but after it is passed the lines will be drawn on the naval bill, and, if it is disposed of, on the army bill. There is every possibility that the Senate will sit all night tomorrow and that it will spend most of the remaining four days and a half in continuous session.

Hope of perfecting the annual postoffice appropriation bill was abandoned tonight and Chairman Moon, of the House postoffice committee, introduced in the House a resolution to continue existing postal appropriations for another year. The measure had passed both Senate and House, but the conference committee could not agree on amendments. It was the first of the big supply bills on this session's program to be abandoned.

The continuing resolution embraces verbatim the Reed "bone dry" prohibition amendment to the postoffice bill.

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Captain and His Crew Honored at a Luncheon at Which the Mayor of Bordeaux Gives Toast to President Wilson.

Bordeaux, Feb. 27.—"Vive Amerique!" and "vive Wilson!" were shouted by thousands of persons when Capt. Allen Hooker and the crew of the American steamer Orleans stepped off the gang plank of the steamer. The crowds along the piers waved handkerchiefs, hats were thrown in the air and flowers were dropped from balconies as the captain and his men passed through the streets. Groups of Frenchmen sang the "Marseillaise."

The Americans, accompanied by the mayor and municipal officials and a guard of honor, continued on their way to the city hall amid cheering for the captain, for the Orleans and for the United States. In proposing a toast to President Wilson, the United States and the sailors of the Orleans at a luncheon, Mayor Gruet said:

"It is with a feeling of legitimate pride that I salute the sailors of the great American republic. Disregarding the insolent provocations of a nation of prey, they crossed the so-called blockade zone, despite the perils with which they were menaced, and thus affirmed the right of neutrals to unrestricted navigation."

GERARD WARNED NOT TO SAIL FROM SPAIN

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German official in Berlin not to sail for the United States in the way he had planned, caused surprise among State Department officials. They thought Mr. Gerard would almost certainly have forwarded information of that sort if received.

The only instructions sent him were in reply to his query as to what to do in case of war, and advised that he hold to his original plans unless otherwise ordered.

The Spanish Trans-Atlantic line now is the only means of travel for American diplomats to and from Europe, as travel on belligerent vessels has been forbidden during the war.

PROHIBITION AGAIN BEFORE THE HOUSE

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dozen roll calls on other amendments.

The decision of the postoffice bill conferees to abandon the measure came after two long meetings during the day and several conferences with Postmaster General Burleson. Members of the conference insisted that the Reed amendment, which had been accepted by both houses, was not the cause of their failure to agree. The continuing resolution carries the amendment verbatim as it had stood in the appropriation measure.

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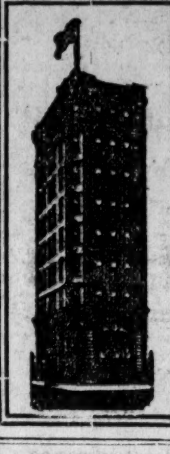

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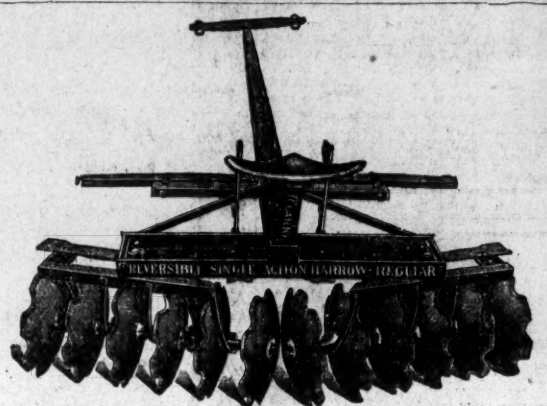

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